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## Chamber holds annual awards night

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

A woman, who has brightened Christmas for hundreds of Crawford County children and families over the past decade, was honored on Saturday with the Athena Award.

Marianne Gosnell received the Athena Award at the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce's annual dinner and community awards night.

The presentation of the Athena Award is sponsored by Scheer Motors.

For the last 10 years, Gosnell has served as the coordinator for the Toys for Tots program for Crawford County. She is also a former employee at the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce and has served on the Crawford County United Way Board. She has served as chairwoman of the Grayling Promotional Association, the Grayling Arts and Crafts Show and volunteers for the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center.

"I think it's a really great honor and a privilege," Gosnell said about receiving the Athena Award. "With it being an international award, it's just amazing."

Gosnell took on the Toys for Tots program for Crawford County when she was asked by Department of Human Services

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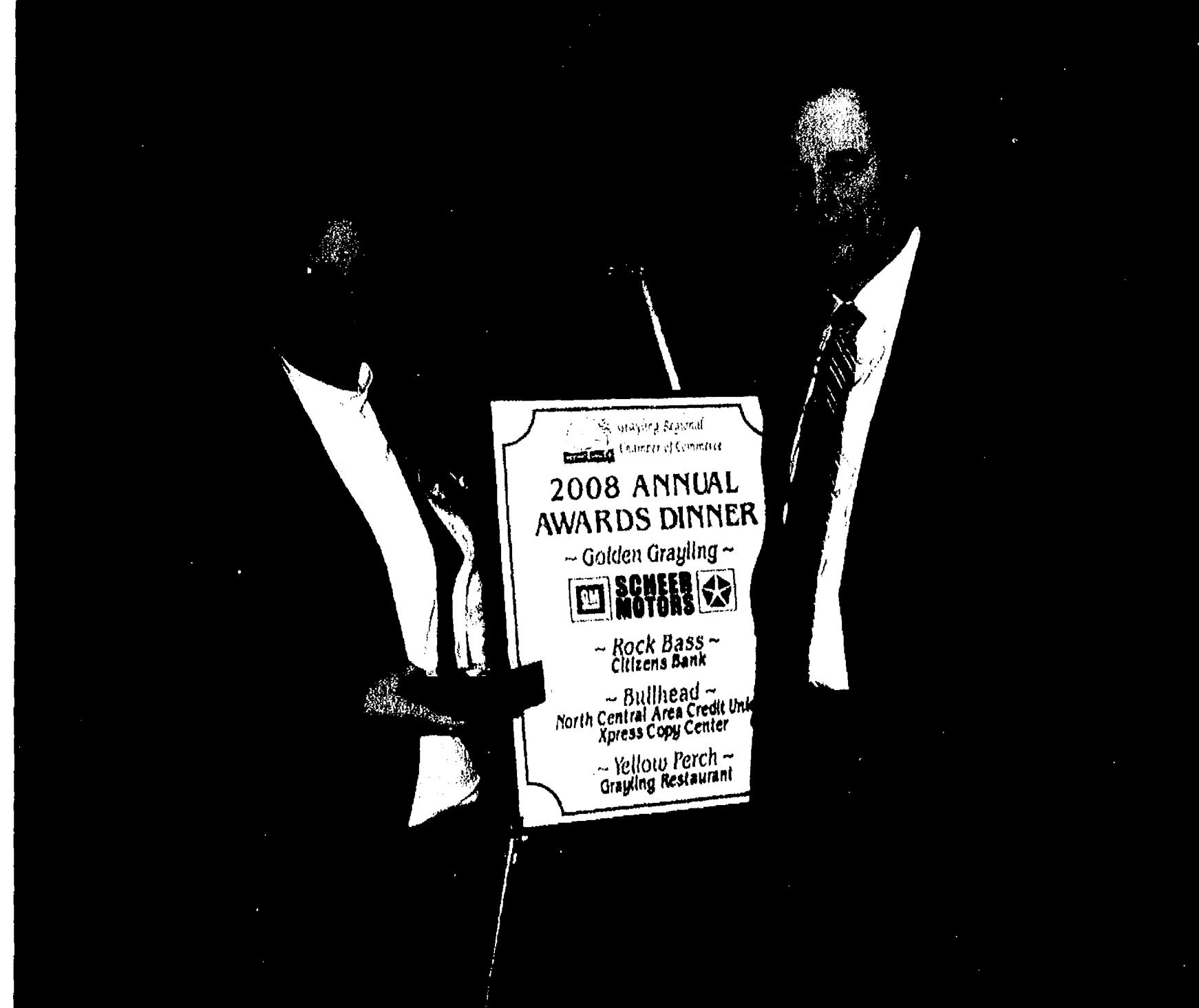


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Marianne Gosnell received the Athena award at the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce's annual dinner and community awards presentation. The presentation of the Athena Award is sponsored by Scheer Motors. Above, Gosnell is pictured with Brad Scheer, the owner of Scheer Motors.

## Theme park developers working on financing

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

The ball remains in the court of developers who are planning to build a huge theme park south of Grayling.

Kay Cosgray, chairwoman of the Crawford County Economic Partnership, said that officials met, last week, with Patrick Crosson, project manager for Axiom Entertainment, who has proposed to build the \$160 million Mainstreet America, Inc. theme park on 1,800 acres of land located east of I-75 and north of Four Mile Road.

Cosgray said that there were few details that could be shared, regarding the meeting with Crosson, other than he was still working with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) on a land deal.

"He's still moving forward, working out the details with the DNR," Cosgray said.

The property, where the theme park is proposed, was set aside by the DNR in 2000 for economic development.

The Natural Resources Commission, which approves recommendations made to sell land by DNR staff, and Director Rebecca Humphries, did not act on the land deal at its regular monthly meeting in January.

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## Students test their Nordic ski skills

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

About 260 students at the Grayling Elementary School put some glide and chill into their physical education classes last week.

The Great Lakes Winter Trails Council, Hanson Hills and the Grayling Visitors Bureau teamed up, last week, to provide cross country skiing lessons to the fourth and fifth graders at the Grayling Elementary School.

Justin Andre, the director of operations for Hanson Hills, groomed a special trail behind the school for the students to test their cross country skiing skills.

Kelly Sheehan, the physical education teacher at Grayling Elementary School, and John Johnson, a certified ski instructor from Midland who teaches at Saginaw Valley State and Central Michigan University, taught the students the basic cross country skiing techniques inside the school gym. Nick Terry, a ski instructor at Hanson Hills, also assisted the classes.

Johnson told the students that they can build on their skiing skills throughout their lives to get to the next level, just like

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Photo by Dan Sanderson

The Great Lakes Winter Trails Council, Hanson Hills and the Grayling Visitors Bureau teamed up, last week, to provide cross country skiing lessons to the fourth and fifth graders at the Grayling Elementary School. Above, Sydney Denno, a student in Sandy Baynham's fifth grade class, glides down a hill on her skis.

## School board approves bond sale, teacher recall

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

The Crawford AuSable School Board of Education approved the sale of bonds to buy a half dozen busses and school energy upgrades.

The board, at its regular monthly meeting last week, approved the bid for the purchase of the 2006 school building and site bonds.

School district voters, in May 2006, approved a school funding proposal that allowed the district to issue \$1.9 million in bonds to pay for busses, energy conservation projects and school building improvements.

School officials, last week, approved the second and final sale of the bonds for a total of \$995,000.

Funds from the bond sale will be used to purchase two new busses per year for the next three years. The district has already added six busses to the fleet from the previous bond sale.

"The new busses are a tremendous asset, and allows us to provide adequate transportation to our students," said Joe Powers, the Crawford AuSable School District's Superintendent.

The bonds will also be used to upgrade heating controls at the Grayling Middle School, to save

on natural gas. New lighting will also be installed in the building to save electricity, as energy costs continue to escalate.

"What this really means is we're saving dollars for the classroom," Powers said.

The district completed energy upgrades at the Grayling Elementary School last year.

In other action, the board agreed to hire Cyndi Powers to serve as a middle school English and science teacher for the 2008-09 school year, beginning in September. She is filling a position being vacated by Judi Mesack, who is retiring after serving 27 years in the classroom.

Powers is the wife of Joe Powers. She was the only teacher remaining to be recalled from layoffs that went into effect prior to the end of the 2006-07 school years. Cyndi Powers previously served as a focused in teaching reading instructor, a teacher who works with children to get their reading skills up to grade level.

The board also passed a resolution in order to obtain \$95,200 from the State School Act to fund the district Michigan School Readiness program. The

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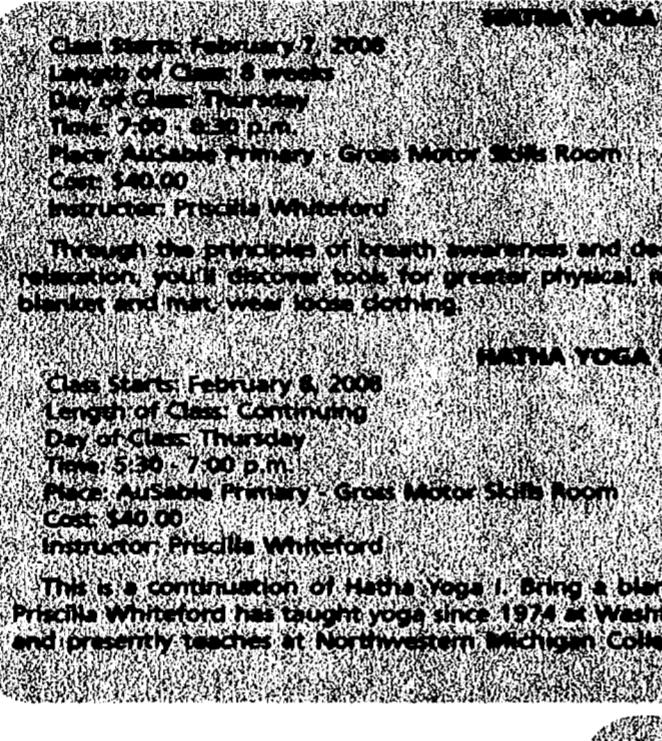
Class Starts: February 6, 2008  
Length of Class: 8 weeks  
Day of Class: Monday  
Time: 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Place: Grayling Middle School - Computer Lab  
Cost: \$80.00 (Includes book)  
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Class Starts: February 5, 2008  
Length of Class: 8 weeks  
Time: 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Place: The Ice House Quilt Shop  
Cost: \$50.00 + \$15.00 for quilt kit  
Instructor: Barb Hunter

During the course, students will create 3 quilt tops and learn basic quilting techniques. You must have a working sewing machine to bring to class.



#### HATHA YOGA I

Class Starts: February 5, 2008  
Length of Class: Ongoing  
Day of Class: Tuesday  
Time: 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.  
Place: AuSable Primary - Gross Motor Skills Room  
Cost: \$40.00  
Instructor: Priscilla Whitford

This is a continuation of Hatha Yoga I. Bring a blanket and mat and wear loose clothing. Priscilla Whitford has taught yoga since 1974 at Westmenow Community Center in Ann Arbor and currently teaches at Northwood Michigan College in Traverse City. She has taught

#### NEW WORLD KARATE

Class Starts: February 5, 2008  
Ages: 4 and up  
Length of Class: Ongoing  
Day of Class: Tuesday  
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Cost: \$5.00 per class  
Instructor: Zack Burns

This class is conducted in a fun, friendly yet disciplined environment. The Primary study at New World Karate centers on teaching transferable life skills such as: enhancing self esteem, increasing the student's ability to focus, developing patience, making positive life choices and instilling the values of respect, discipline and good citizenship. Another benefit of New World Karate involves physical development of gross and fine motor skills, coordination, agility, and self defense skills.



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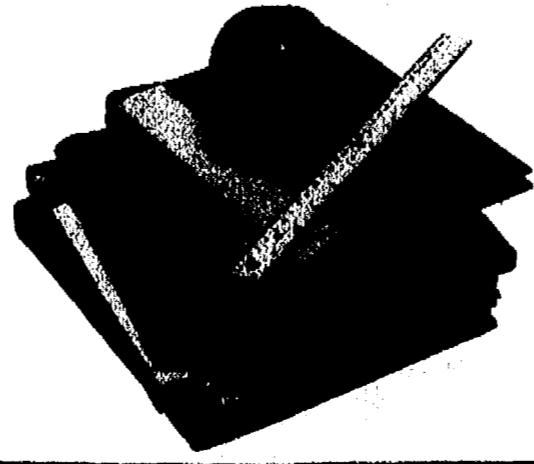
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March 13, 2008 @ 5:30 p.m.  
April 17, 2008 @ 5:30 p.m.

All testing will take place at Grayling High School. Please call Paul Brunell at 348-6137 for further information.



## Friends honor bowling achievement with ring

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Friends of an avid Grayling bowler purchased a ring to recognize a near perfect game bowled last year.

Davis said.

Davis' girlfriend, Denise, and son, Cody, were at the bowling alley when he rolled the near perfect game, throwing strike after strike.

"Everybody quit bowling, and stood back, watching while he was throwing the ball," Denise said.

Bowling is a family tradition for the Davis family. Davis' father, Larry Davis Sr., was an avid bowler, and his mother, Lois, is a former bowler. His brother, Lance Davis, rolled a perfect 300 game at the American Legion Lounge and Lanes. Paul Juntilia, Jake Helsel and Al Angove have also accomplished the feat. Davis' other brother, Lonnie Davis, also enjoys the sport.

Davis, who was inducted into the International Bowling Museum Hall of Fame after rolling the 802 series, said he appreciates being considered among the most accomplished bowlers in the community.

"I just come here and do the best I can," said Davis, who is on the McLean's Ace Hardware Team. "I do it because I love the sport. This is one sport where you don't know what you'll shoot. To me, you just have to stay on it."

Benardo said the group of bowlers were pleased to honor Davis, due to his selfless nature.

"He's always saying, what can I do for you?" Benardo said.

Davis, who holds the 802



Photo by Dan Sanderson  
Larry Davis, above, who bowls in the Tuesday nights men's league at the American Legion Lounge and Lanes, received a ring purchased by friends from the United States Bowling Congress earlier this month. Davis bowled a 299 game, one pin short of a perfect game, on Nov. 20, 2007.

## Theme park developers working on financing

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The theme park is not on the agenda for the Natural Resources Commission's Feb. 7 meeting, and the deadline to get on the agenda for the March meeting is Feb. 11.

"The bottom line is we haven't received information regarding his financing for the project, which is the key thing we're looking for," said Dave Freed, chief of land and facilities for the DNR.

Susan Haddad, spokesperson for the Mainstreet American, Inc. project, said developers are working to get their formal documentation in place for the financing,

and were delayed by the holiday. "We are still working on finalizing the documents on our end," Haddad said.

Developers are committing \$130 million in capital for the project, with funding coming from various financial institutions and private investors.

Developers are proposing that the park would include roller coasters, a race track, the world's tallest Christmas tree and Ferris wheel, a World War II aircraft carrier and an area where Christmas is celebrated all year long. The park would create 2,000 jobs, 700 of which would be full-time positions.

## School board approves bond sale, teacher recall

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funds are used to operate the preschool program at the AuSable Primary School, taught by Karyn Rauch-Smuck and Gloria Moore.

Powers said that the state reduced funding for the program

by \$11,000, which forced the elimination of four slots for students in the preschool.

"We're still operating the program even though the grant doesn't cover the whole cost of the program," Powers said.

## Funds used to buy police, fire equipment

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

City of Grayling and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development officials completed the final red tape for the purchase of new police and fire department equipment on Monday.

The city was presented \$60,000 in USDA Rural Development funds on Monday. The money consists of a \$30,000 grant and a \$30,000 loan to the city.

The funds will be used to pur-

chase a new Dodge Charger police car, a laptop computer which will be used by police officers, personal protective firefighting gear, a mobile breathing air center and new five-inch fire hoses for the Grayling City/Township Fire Department.

Grayling City Manager David Thayer said upgrading the fleet of police cars will save the city money, and the new equipment for the fire department will help firefighters be more effective.

"Both are needed, both are

welcomed and are appreciated," Thayer said.

Officials said they were pleased to be able to help police, firefighters and first responders.

"In order for them to support us, we need to support them," said Brandon Fewins, the regional manager for Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-Mich.).

The USDA Rural Development's mission is to deliver programs in a way that will support increasing economic opportunity and improve

the quality of life of rural residents. As a venture capital agency, Rural Development provides equity, liquidity and technical assistance to finance and foster growth in homeownership, business development and critical community and technology infrastructures.

"That mission is what this agency is all about. To improve the quality of lives for people who live in rural communities," said Blake Smith, a community programs specialist for USDA Rural Development.

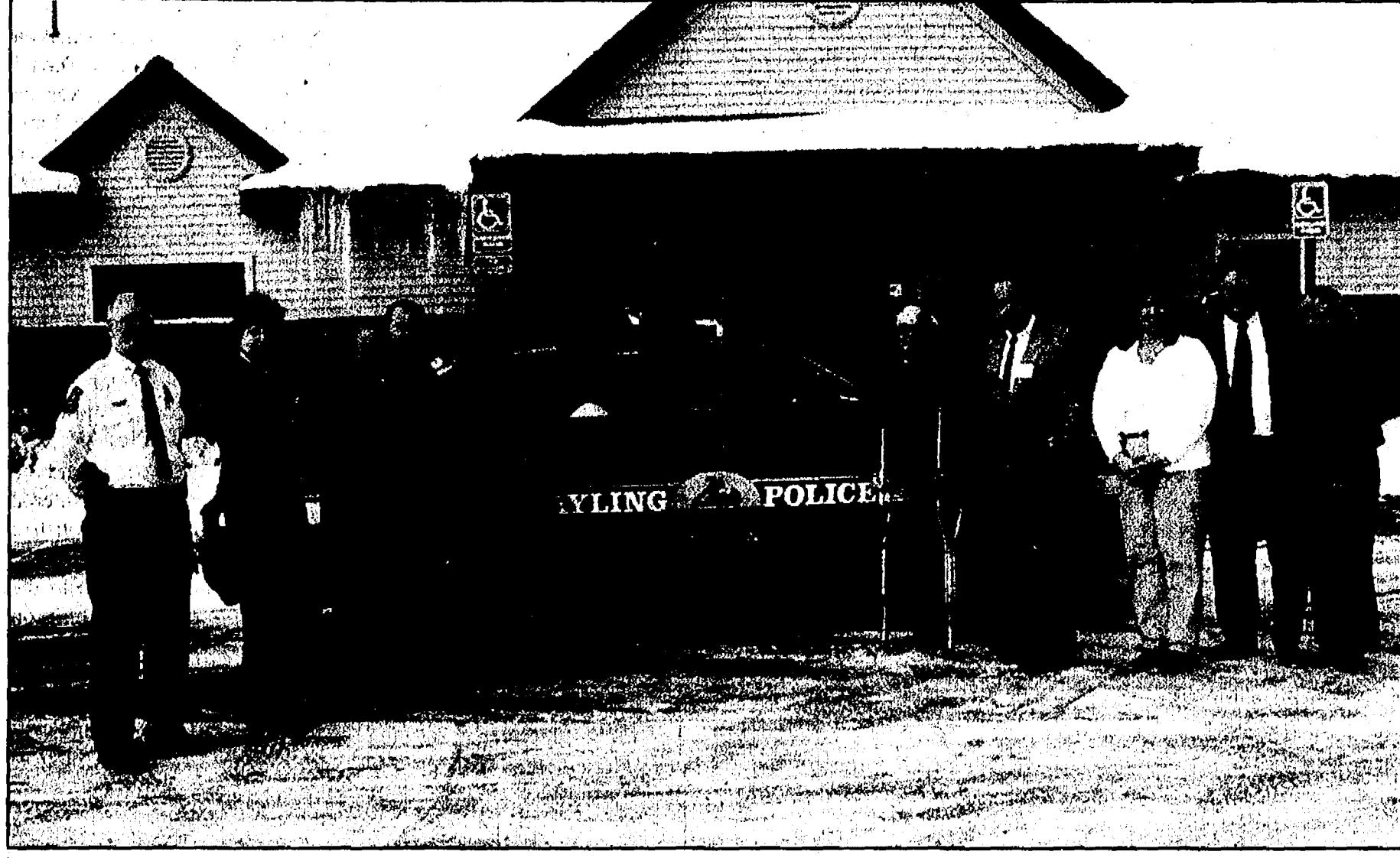


Photo by Dan Sanderson

The City of Grayling was presented \$60,000 in U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development funds, on Monday. The money consists of a \$30,000 grant and a \$30,000 loan to the city. Above, from left to right are: Grayling City Police Chief Karl Schreiner; Mary Jergenson, district representative for State Sen. Tony Stamas, R-Midland; Harold Chase, regional manager for U.S. Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich.; Scott Fewins, regional manager for U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow, D-Mich.; Shelly Fuller, office director for the USDA Rural Development's Traverse City office; Grayling Mayor Larry Akers; Roger Srigley, congressional aide for U.S. Rep. Bart Stupak, D-Menominee; Grayling City Clerk Michele Moshier; Grayling City Manager David Thayer and Grayling City Treasurer Terry McGregor all standing next to the city's new police car, which was purchased with the funds.

## Local fire department gets grant for gear

The Grayling City/Township Fire Department received a federal grant, last week, to purchase equipment for firefighters.

The \$20,349 operations and safety grant is coming from the Department of Homeland Security's Assistance to Firefighters grant program.

Russ Strohpaul, the fire chief for the Grayling City/Township Fire Department, said the funds will be used to purchase 12 sets of new turnout gear, which includes coats, pants, boots and gloves for the firefighters.

Last year, the department obtained funds to purchase a

dozen sets of turnout gear for the fire department, which has 22 volunteer members.

The department wants to have gear for the firefighters in case they have to go on back-to-back fires or if they get multiple calls in one day.

"What we're trying to get is a set of front line gear and a dry set of backup gear," Strohpaul said.

The gear will replace turnout gear purchased in 1991.

U.S. Senators Carl Levin (D-Mich.) and Debbie Stabenow (D-Mich.), announced last week that 10 Michigan fire departments have been awarded \$885,547

through the Department of Homeland Security's Assistance to Firefighters grant program.

The funding will be used to support operations, firefighter safety and to purchase firefighting equipment.

"Directing resources to our firefighters and first responders is an important way to ensure the safety and protection of communities across Michigan," Levin said. "Better training and equipment will help these brave men and women do their jobs effectively."

"This grant will enhance our local firefighters' and first

responders' ability to do their jobs, improve safety and save lives," Stabenow added. "I am pleased this funding will help these organizations provide better fire protection for their communities."

The Assistance to Firefighters grant program awards grants directly to fire departments and EMS organizations to improve the effectiveness of operations, health and safety programs, and to establish or expand fire prevention programs throughout the United States. Grants are awarded competitively through an application process.

## NEMAH awarded \$404,000 for drinking water well loans

Northeast Michigan Affordable Housing, Inc. (NEMAH) announced the availability of low interest loans to qualified individuals and families, specifically to drill drinking water wells in its 11 county service region. NEMAH has been awarded \$404,000, from the United States Department of Agriculture, to operate a revolving loan fund specifically for the use of drilling drinking water wells.

"We are pleased to announce the availability of these funds," said Al West, NEMAH chief executive officer. "With these funds, families or individual homeowners can access a low interest loan product to drill their well and preserve their cash for other home costs."

## Accidental fire destroys garage

A Grayling Township woman's garage was totally destroyed by a fire that occurred last week.

The Grayling City/Township Fire Department was dispatched to the structure fire, at 2852 Blueberry Hill, around 7:52 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 24.

A garage, owned by Rose Wiatros, had caught fire. The garage was collapsed and burned to the ground by the time fire-

fighters arrived, said Russ Strohpaul, the fire chief for the Grayling City/Township Fire Department. The home was located 15 feet from the garage, and was able to be saved. Firefighters remained at the scene for three hours.

The cause of the fire has been deemed accidental, but is still under investigation, Strohpaul said. The garage was insured.



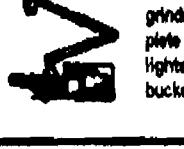
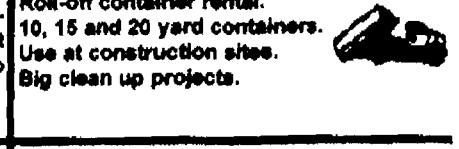
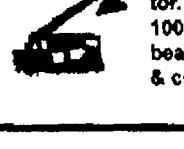
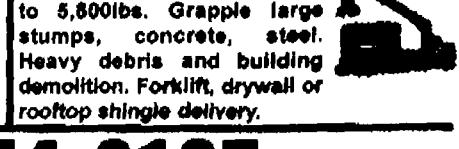
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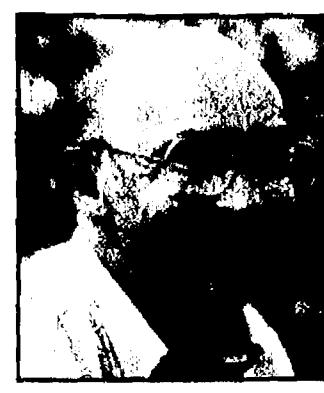
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# OPINIONS



## ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

### Did Michigan primary make any difference?

WAS IT REALLY only a couple of weeks ago when Michigan occupied center stage in the ongoing drama of presidential politics?

Our pioneering state primary seems lost in the dust of following events, as the nominating process quickly switched focus to other states.

Was the Michigan primary worthwhile? Will we make any difference in the long run?

In defying national party leaders with an early primary, Michigan sought several results, including these three:

1. To play a more prominent role in deciding who is nominated.

2. To reap some of the dollars spent in political campaigns.

3. To draw candidate and national attention to Michigan's special problems.

So how well did the primary reach these goals?

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THE CANDIDATES winning most votes were Mitt Romney among Republicans and Hillary Clinton among Democrats.

Neither outcome was a big surprise.

Mr. Romney received almost 338,000 votes, or about 39 percent of Republican votes cast. His closest rival was Sen. John McCain with about 30 percent, which was respectable, but Mr. McCain, elated after winning in New Hampshire, had promised publicly to win Michigan, too. So in that sense, Mr. Romney scored a big plus.

Gov. Mike Huckabee trailed at about 16 percent, which slowed the Arkansan's momentum from Iowa and New Hampshire.

So if Mitt Romney wins the Republican nomination, the Michigan primary could be considered an important link in his victory.

As for Sen. Clinton, she was the only top Democratic name on the ballot. Ms. Clinton received 56 percent of the vote, but the 40 percent who voted "uncommitted" could be interpreted as "anybody but Hillary."

Among other Democrats, Dennis Kucinich got about 4 percent, and Mike Gravel and Chris

Dodd, who already had dropped his campaign, each had less than 1 percent.

Because neither Sen. Barack Obama nor John Edwards was on the Michigan ballot, it's difficult to claim that Ms. Clinton's Michigan win will have any effect on the eventual nomination of any of them.

To win only 56 percent of the vote when essentially running against nobody, in my book, should not be encouraging.

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ONLY THREE candidates campaigned much in Michigan, so the goal of increased political spending here fell far short of hopes.

Mr. Romney already had spent a ton of money in Michigan, but reportedly pulled ad money out of his South Carolina budget to boost his ad spending here. Mr. McCain and Mr. Huckabee both ran TV ads, but much campaigning seemed to be whistle-stop visits, with candidates popping in and out of various primary states instead of protracted stays in one place -- plus those irritating tele-

phone messages and robo-calls.

Only Mr. Kucinich among Democrats campaigned here, but on a limited scale. He, too, has since dropped out of the race.

As for campaign spending flooding Michigan because of the primary, it appears only the TV stations benefited greatly.

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THE STORY OF Michigan's economic woes was told repeatedly around the country and the world, and local campaigning emphasis centered on them. Coincidentally, much national campaign emphasis since Michigan has turned from the Iraq war to problems of the national economy, as fears of a potential national recession grow.

Of course, the Michigan story is a dark one, and now everybody knows it.

Editor Nolan Finley in a *Detroit News* column cited generally bleak pictures of Michigan's economy which appeared in the *New York Times*, BBC radio, Mother Jones, US News, *Wall Street Journal*, and

even *Aljazeera*, the Middle East television network, and noted:

"Investors, young job seekers and entrepreneurs now know all they need to about prospects in Michigan. It's hard to imagine any of them saying ... let's pack up and go there."

But the Michigan story did receive widespread airing, and most candidates offered ideas to help the national economic problem. Mr. Romney, the Michigan native, listed several specific steps to help Michigan regain its economic strength.

But the argument can be made that the attention was not worth the effort, and the negativity may do more harm than good.

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ON BALANCE, whether the Michigan primary is worth the \$10-12 million it cost is a debatable question.

Certainly the Michigan primary this year had serious flaws. It was a closed primary, meaning party allegiance had to be declared. That should be changed.

Lists of voters were available

only to one party or the other, and at no cost. That is possibly illegal and should be eliminated anyway.

Names of several active candidates were left off the ballot. That should be changed. All active and avowed candidates should be included.

But there's at least one benefit: Michigan's action and similar steps taken by Florida to flout national party dictates by holding early primaries has drawn much needed attention to the unfairness and inequities in the long-standing system of two states -- Iowa and New Hampshire -- wielding undue heavy influence in determining the major party candidates for president.

Sooner or later, the parties will change the format, and Michigan has helped to bring about that eventual improvement.

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Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

## VIEWPOINT

By Alice Snyder, director of the Crawford County Commission on Aging

### Grayling Senior Center relocation update

Over the past several months, there has been much discussion about the relocation of the Grayling Senior Center and the Commission on Aging (COA) offices. On behalf of the organization, I'd like to give you an update on the relocation efforts, but first I'd like to give you some background information.

When I arrived over three years ago, one of the tasks that the board asked me to review was building space needs. After studying how space was used, I determined that additional space was needed in order to meet our growing needs. This need has increased over the years with additional activities such as fitness classes, support groups and classes, a pool league and the Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program. We have also seen increased traffic in existing programs such as our Congregate meals and the Tax Aide program. The influx of retirees to northern Michigan, as well as the large number of "baby boomers" moving into their senior years, also weighs on the decision to plan additional space now. According to an article in the Detroit Free Press, "by 2016, one in every five adults in Michigan is expected to be 65 or older".

Our first committee comprised of seniors, staff and board mem-

bers reviewed two options. One was the existing building we currently "rent" from the Grayling Housing Commission and the other was the old Knights of Columbus building. At that time, the recommendation was to work with the Grayling Housing Commission to try and create additional space in our current location because we felt it was important to stay near the seniors that lived in the Grayling Housing Commission complex.

A joint committee was formed with representatives from the Grayling City Council, the Crawford County Commissioners, the Grayling Housing Commission board, the Commission on Aging board and the two directors. This committee met for nine months. Unfortunately, we were unable to come up with a solution that met both of our space needs. Since that time, we have also received written direction from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (which provides funding for the property) that the COA will not be allowed to expand or operate the building in its entirety.

It was at this time the board began looking at other building options. The first option was the Fish Hatchery, mostly because the County already owned this property (the COA is a govern-

mental department of the County). At the suggestion of seniors, we then added the Eagles building to the list of options. Since then our list of options has grown as various options were presented to us. Currently, the list of options include 1) the Fish Hatchery; 2) the Eagles building; 3) the old Ben Franklin store; 4) the May Day Windows building and; 5) several pieces of property in which we'd build on. There has also been some discussion about the old Shoppenagon hotel.

The COA Board will follow a "due diligence" process in order to evaluate and determine which option is best for the organization's growth. This process begins with the development of a set of criteria which will be used to evaluate all of the options. After the criteria are set, data will be gathered on each option and they will be evaluated with the set criteria. At which point an option rises to the top, a recommendation will be made to the Crawford County Commissioners. Once an option has been approved, the COA will seek funding for the building project.

There will be many opportunities for public comment during this process. Each month the COA Board meets on the 4th Thursday at 1pm at the Grayling Senior Center located at 308 Lawndale St. The public is welcome and there is an opportunity at each meeting for comment. In addition, I host a monthly Dinner and Discussion with the Director. This is a time for me to give updates on what is happening and get input from those who are interested. Our next dinner is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 7, at 5 p.m., at the Senior Center. At this meeting, I will be reviewing a draft of the criteria which will be used to evaluate the options. I would invite anyone who is interested to attend this event.

If at any time you have questions about the relocation of the Grayling Senior Center and the Commission on Aging offices, please feel free to contact me at (989) 348-7123 or director@crawfordcoa.org.

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I won't speak for the middle school or the high school, but I will speak of my experiences with the primary and elementary schools.

These schools do not take Martin Luther King Jr. day off, but they do take the opportunity to do something even more admirable, they take the time to educate this vastly white population about the remarkable life of a great man and the tragedy of

senseless racial prejudice that gripped our country not even 50 years ago.

If these children had the day off, they would not be privy to the stories, inspirational speeches and events of one of our finest Americans.

I would argue that in schools the holiday is much better observed with the rooms filled rather than left empty. I think that the schools should be commended for their efforts to observe Dr. King's day with education rather than vacation.

I ask my third grade son each day when I pick him up what he did in school that day. On Monday, Jan. 21, he replied, "we watched a movie about Martin Luther King Jr." Then I ask him what his favorite part of his day was and on this special day he said "learning about Martin Luther King Jr." He was truly upset at the fact that people could be treated so horribly simply for

the color of their skin.

He was however delighted when he found out that Dr. King's favorite sport was the same as mine, which is baseball. This sparked us to have a conversation about Jackie Robinson as well. It was a great conversation about civil rights that we both enjoyed.

There was a break in the conversation, and I looked in the rearview mirror, and as I was looking at him I caught a glimpse of myself. It was the first time I really took good look at myself since I had shaved off my goatee. I asked my son if he liked me better with the goatee or without. My son thought for a minute and said "Dad, I don't care if you have a beard or not - I like you for the content of your character." Lesson learned. Dr. King, lesson learned.

Chad Patterson  
Grayling

## EDITOR

### Schools take the opportunity to do something admirable

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## Newspaper gateway to local events

To the editor:

I was very disappointed to find out that you no longer print the Community Calendar in your paper. Instead you direct people to your Web site. However, only those who may have local access to the Internet can do it.

Grayling is a small rural community with many elderly people who do not even have a computer, let alone access to the Internet. Your paper was the lighthouse for their local social affairs, you know.

Grayling is also a town where

many people arrive just for the weekend ... travelers do not always carry a computer with them, or count on having any way to connect to the World Wide Web. The paper used to be their gateway into the events happening in the community during that particular weekend.

I'm sorry to say that, "what a disservice this is to switch from a printed community calendar into a web based one only!" Just my 10¢.

Tony Saraiwa  
Holt

Editor's note: Our community briefs (page 5A) is our community calendar, but unfortunately we can only print a local event one time just before the event in the newspaper. Therefore, our Web site will have events from the time submitted until the event. This gives us more room to offer area events that are not in Crawford County (which is our main coverage area). So, don't worry we haven't changed, we are just offering more.

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# BRIEFS

## Church to hold Shrove Tuesday supper

St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West, Grayling, will hold its Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on Tuesday, Feb. 5, from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. The all-you-can-eat menu includes a variety of pancakes, sausages and applesauce. Free will donations will be accepted at the door. All proceeds will benefit John and Angie Moggo, to help meet expenses associated with John's recovery from brain surgery.

## Hospice to offer ongoing support group

Hospice of Michigan will offer a free, ongoing grief support group for those who have lost a friend or loved one. The group will meet on the first and third Monday of each month, from noon - 1:30 p.m., at St. Francis Episcopal Church, 6441 W. M-72. The first meeting will be held on Monday, Feb. 4. For more information, contact Briana at 989-705-2603.

## Appointments open for animal shot clinic

The AuSable Valley Animal Shelter will hold a low cost shot clinic for dogs and cats on Saturday, Feb. 16. Appointments are necessary. Call Simons Veterinary Clinic at 231-584-3500 for appointments, more information and prices. County dog licenses will also be on sale. The shelter is located at the old Crawford County Fairgrounds on Old US-27, Grayling. Use the fairgrounds entrance and turn left after the big sign.

## Snowmobile Fun Run to be held

The 4th Annual Snowmobile Fun Run, to benefit the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter, will be held on Saturday, Feb. 2. Entry fee is \$25 per rider and includes lunch, dinner, music and chances to win prizes and a commemorative t-shirt. Registration begins at 11 a.m., at Dingman's Bar on M-72, Kalkaska. A snowmobile is not necessary to participate. Help the homeless dogs and cats by enjoying this fun-filled day on the trails, with many stops along the way, ending at the Ole Barn in Grayling. Call Mary Becker at 586-731-6803 or Cheryl Ruley at 989-619-0473 with questions.

## GHS Viking Band Boosters seeking donations

The Grayling High School Viking Band has some musical, educational and entertaining opportunities available to them in April.

The band has been invited to attend a band clinic at Western Michigan University, in Kalamazoo, geared especially for high school bands. It will be taught by an university professor who will work with our students to expand their musical skills.

From Kalamazoo, the students will travel to Kirkland, Ill., near Chicago, to attend a live musical performance and learn how music connects to outside jobs.

During the Chicago trip, they will have the opportunity to visit the Field Museum, the Sears Tower, the Museum of Science and Industry, Shedd's Aquarium, hear the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, attend the Broadway musical "Wicked" and finish the trip with a dinner cruise overlooking Chicago in the evening.

"We are excited for this opportunity, which will provide students with not only a musically rewarding experience, but also fun filled educational moments

that they will remember for a lifetime," said Shirley Curriston, Grayling Viking Band Booster. "It has always been a goal of the Grayling Viking Band Booster organization to make it possible for every student, regardless of finances, to attend band related field trips."

The cost of the trip is \$525 for each student. At the present time, the band boosters have committed to paying \$100 per student for this trip.

"Unfortunately, there will still be students who have been unable to raise the balance with fund raising," said Curriston.

"We are asking for donations to cover part or all of the cost for students that are unable to raise the total amount," said Curriston. "We would hate to have anyone miss out on this wonderful opportunity. Any amount would be appreciated."

Donations can be sent to Grayling Viking Band Boosters, 1135 N. Old 27, Grayling MI 49738, or dropped off at any school office. Questions can be directed to Curriston at 348-1348.

## KCC offers computer course for seniors

Kirtland Community College will again be offering a popular basic computer course, designed especially for seniors and those with no prior computer experience, at the college's main campus near Roscommon.

Basic Computing (CIS-010) begins with how to turn on the machine and delves into the workings of the Windows XP operating system. The 10-week class is slated for 2:30-5:30 p.m. each Monday, starting Feb. 18, in Room 5 of the Instructional Building (INS).

Kirtland instructor Clayton Horton said the manuals for the course -- "Windows XP for Seniors" and "Internet and E-mail for Seniors" -- use an easy, step-by-step format that is offered in large print.

Horton added Basic Computing students learn to enjoy using their computers at their own pace. They'll learn to write letters and memos on a computer, send and receive mes-

sages via e-mail, explore the World Wide Web and customize computer settings.

"A lot depends on the class size and their interests," Horton said regarding the topics to be covered. "I let them tell me what they want to learn."

Such flexibility allows those who have taken the course before to benefit by taking it again and learning new topics. There are no prerequisites and qualifying seniors, 60 and older who reside within the Kirtland district, may be able to take the course tuition free.

Senior citizens who are in-district are entitled to one tuition-free class -- maximum of two credit hours -- per semester. There is an additional course fee, however, and textbooks for the course will need to be purchased at the Kirtland Bookstore.

For more information about how to register for the Basic Computing class, call 989-275-5000, ext. 284.

## Kirtland to host 'College Goal Sunday' site

Kirtland Community College will be one of 27 sites statewide to host "College Goal Sunday," an annual event to raise awareness about opportunities for financial aid, on Sunday, Feb. 10, from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

More than 400 volunteers will help college-bound Michigan students and their families complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA, during the statewide event Feb. 10. The FAFSA is required of any student seeking financial aid including grants, loans and many scholarships.

College Goal Sunday is a collaborative effort among the Michigan Guaranty Agency, the Michigan Student Financial Aid Association and EduGuide: Partnership for Learning. The program is designed to increase the number of Michigan students who continue education beyond high school and earn post-secondary degrees.

"Parents should not underestimate the amount of financial aid that is available," said Diane Sprague, director of the Michigan Guaranty Agency. "As lead sponsor of Michigan College Goal Sunday, MGA wants to ensure that students have the opportunity to submit their FAFSA by the March 1 priority date so they are eligible for both state and federal financial aid programs."

On College Goal Sunday, financial aid experts will be available to guide students through each step of completing and filing the FAFSA. Students under 23 years of age are encouraged to attend with a parent or guardian. Parents and students should bring their families.

## Volunteer service opportunities for seniors

Senior Companion and Foster Grandparent Programs of Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency, Inc. (NEMSCA) currently have limited openings for income-eligible seniors, 60 years of age and older, to provide volunteer services in Alpena, Alcona, Arenac, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Roscommon counties, and the surrounding areas.

Senior Companions and Foster Grandparent volunteers receive a non-taxable hourly stipend, mileage reimbursement, in-service educational trainings, recognition for community service and other program benefits. Volunteers have opportunities to learn new skills, share life experiences with other seniors and participate in community events.

Senior Companions provide peer-to-peer support for seniors

and their completed 2007 IRS 1040 tax return (if possible) or their W-2 and 1099 forms, as well as social security and driver's license information.

At Kirtland, College Goal Sunday events will be located in rooms 247 and 248 -- the Testing Center/FLEX Lab -- in the upper level of the Administration Building, on the college's main campus near Roscommon. More than \$6,000 in gifts and prizes will be handed out statewide during College Goal Sunday events, including scholarships, a Dell laptop computer and Barnes & Noble gift cards.

Additional support for College Goal Sunday was provided by the Great Lakes Higher Education Guaranty Corporation, the Lumina Foundation for Education and the National Association for Student Financial Aid Administrators.

For more information and a complete list of College Goal Sunday sites, visit online at [www.micollegegoal.org](http://www.micollegegoal.org) or call 800-832-2462. For details regarding the event at Kirtland, call the Financial Aid Office at 989-275-5000, extension 257, or e-mail [finaid@kirtland.edu](mailto:finaid@kirtland.edu).

Currently, about 2,300 students attend a variety of certificate and two-year degree programs at Kirtland's two campuses -- at Roscommon, and the Michigan Technical Education Center (M-TEC) in Gaylord -- with the college's service area including all or parts of Crawford, Oscoda, Ogemaw, Roscommon, Otsego, Kalkaska, Missaukee, Gladwin and Alcona counties, and the surrounding areas.

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# The Bible Speaks

## Grace Honoring Law

Romans chapter 6 taught us God gives us no excuses to practice sin. Now in Romans chapter 7 we are being reminded that no one can be sanctified or made holy by law or works. In Romans 7:1-3 we studied through the analogy of marriage how we are delivered from the dominion of law by the death of Jesus Christ. Romans 7:4 stated this truth: "4Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God." Romans 7:5 reminded us that trusting the law instead of Christ can only magnify sin and death in our lives: "For when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death."

Now in Romans 7:6 we are taught how being united by marriage to Jesus Christ delivers us from the bondage of law and death and enables us to serve by grace while also honoring law. "6But now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held; that we should serve in

newness of spirit, and not in the oldness of the letter." This verse further explains the last half of Romans 7:4: "...that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God." As Romans 8:2 says, "2For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death."

God describes the liberty of this new relationship in Romans 7:6b: "...that we should serve in newness of spirit, and not in the oldness of the letter." We are not saved or sanctified by outward works of flesh, but by inward works of God. This was the veil which blinded the Jews in Romans 10:3,4: "3For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. 4For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth." As 2 Corinthians 3:6 says: "6Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life."

Living by spirit instead of letter means living by the golden rule. We Live by the golden rule Christ gave us in Matthew

7:12 instead of hundreds of individual rules. "Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets." Instead of living by law, we live by love for God and neighbor as Christ taught us in Matthew 22:36-40: "40On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." As Jesus taught us in Matthew 5:21,22, murder is first an inward spiritual problem of hatred and anger. As Jesus taught us in Matthew 5:27,28, adultery is first an inward spiritual problem of lust within the heart. As Jesus taught us in Matthew 5:38-44 individual injustice is not best dealt with by "an eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth" legal mentality. Jesus said "44But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you." Living by God's grace, following the golden rule, and sharing God's love can give us victory over sin and also honor the law. Pastor "B"

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Phone 989-348-1909

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Saturday Sabbath School ..... 10:30 a.m.

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This year, 85 students and parents traveled to Saginaw on Saturday, Jan. 19, on two buses supplied by the Crawford AuSable School District.

The circus was held at the Dow Center in Saginaw, and following the event, the buses stopped at a McDonald's in Bay City where burgers and fries, plus milk and cookies supplied by Goodale's Bakery in Grayling, were enjoyed by all.

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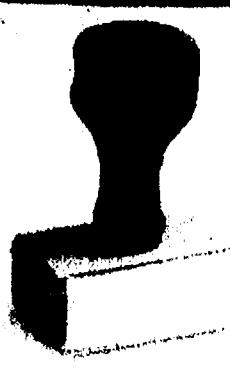
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## KCT presents 'My Fatal Valentine'

The Kirtland Community Theatre will be presenting "My Fatal Valentine," a murder mystery and audience participation dinner theater, at two locations Feb. 14-15 and Feb. 23.

Garland Resort in Lewiston will host the dinner theater production on Thursday and Friday, Feb. 14-15. The doors open at 6 p.m., with a cash bar available. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the mystery starts at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$30 per person and overnight packages are available.

"My Fatal Valentine" then moves to the Houghton Lake Playhouse for one show, a fundraising event for the Rotary Club

of Houghton Lake, on Saturday, Feb. 23. Tickets are \$25 per person and doors will open at 5:30 p.m., with a cash bar being available. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. and the performance begins at 7 p.m.

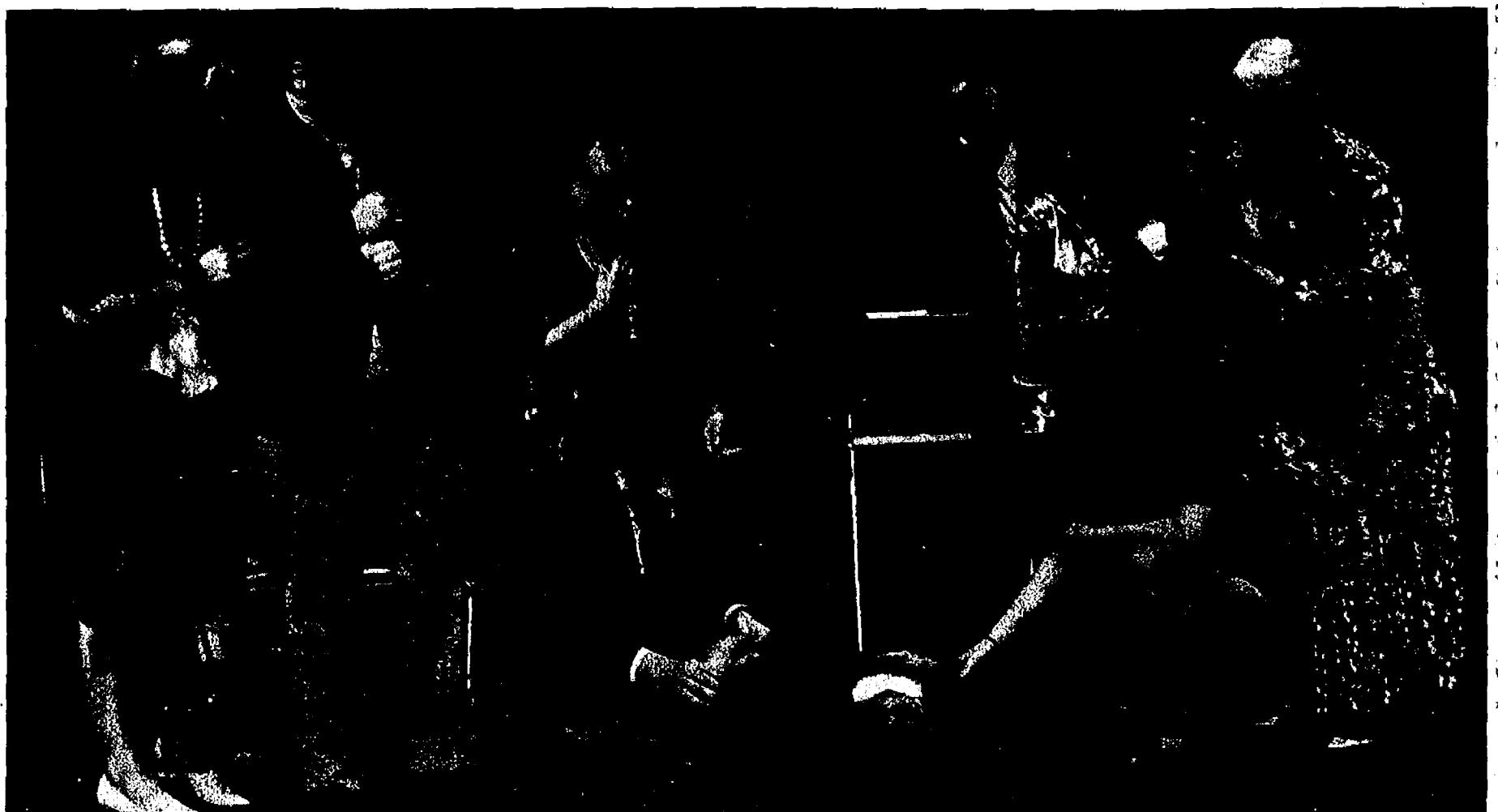
After dinner, the mystery begins at a convention of romance writers, all contenders for the LoveKnot "Book of the Year Award" presented by Heartthrob Books. Among the nominated authors are two spinster sisters, a young prodigy and her overbearing mother, a British aristocrat, a rude and obnoxious social climber, and a rough-and-tough dude and his bimbo girlfriend.

Heartthrob editor Benton Fish gamely attempts to keep the award ceremonies civilized amid the jealousies and rivalries. But, when the award is announced, the winner is abruptly murdered. It will be up to the amateur detectives in the audience to vote on who they think "dun-it."

The cast for the production, directed by Cassie Fisher of Roscommon, includes: "Maude" - Carole Rae Phillips of Grayling; "Benton" - John Bawol of St. Helen; "Jane" - Monica Siebelkorn of Roscommon; "Hattie" - Jomarie Gurnow of Roscommon; "Maynard" - Dean Gibbs of West Branch;

"Priscilla" / "Veronica" - Maelyn Yelland of Mio; "Chet" - Josh Jurgess of St. Helen; "Mitzi" - Sunnie Schwartz of West Branch; "Edith" - Tyler Jaynes of Roscommon; "Martha" - Chantel Perreault of West Branch; "Lady Dorothy" - Jelyra Vargo of Alger; and "Denis" - Christopher Ryan Anderson of Alger.

Reservations for the Feb. 14-15 shows at Garland Resort may be made by calling 877-4-GARLAND. Tickets, for the Feb. 23 show in Houghton Lake, may be purchased by calling 989-275-5000, extension 248, or by contacting any Houghton Lake Rotary member.



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Rose Mary Nelson

Mrs. Rose Mary Nelson recently retired from the Army and Air Force Exchange System (AAFES) after 19 years, 15 of which were at Camp Grayling. Recently, she volunteered for deployment to Iraq and spent 18 months there working at various Post Exchanges, doing what she loves best, helping soldiers. She also spent over 16 years working on military bases, overseas and in the United States, for the

Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) division. She was honored for her years of service at Camp Grayling by fellow PX employees and friends.

She resides in Grayling with her husband, Wayne Nelson. They have three children, one daughter Jayne, a son Dean, from Tenn., and one son David, from Wash. She also has numerous relatives in her native England.

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## Dr. Barry Fenn retires after 26 years in Grayling

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

A Grayling dentist, who served the needs of the community for over two and a half decades, has retired.

Dr. Barry Fenn, who started his practice in Grayling in 1981, retired effective Dec. 1, 2007. Fenn is referring his patients and transferring their records to other dentists in the community.

Fenn hadn't planned to retire, but made the decision after going through some continuing education in Asia last October.

"Just seeing people doing things on that side of the world, really opened my eyes," Fenn said.

Fenn wrote a letter to his patients, explaining his decision.

"I wanted to retire at the top of my game," Fenn said. "It's so hard to say goodbye."

Fenn's dental practice is connected to his home, which was owned by Fred Bear before he purchased it, overlooking the AuSable River and the backwaters of the Grayling Millpond.

Fenn, and his wife Angela, who was a dental assistant at the practice, recently purchased a home in Prescott, Ariz.

"I'm excited and sad, both at the same time," Fenn said of leaving the community.



Dr. Barry Fenn, who started his practice in Grayling in 1981, retired effective Dec. 1, 2007. Above, Fenn is pictured with wife Angela. The couple recently purchased a home in Prescott, Ariz.

The couple, however, will still maintain the cabin that they own on the Manistee River.

"The Manistee River brought me here, so I'll always come back," Fenn said.

Angela said the couple had been called out to do impromptu dental work for troops at Camp Grayling before they deployed for duty, and were available for emergency appointments for patients.

"We were always available, and his heart went out to his patients," Angela said.

### Rotary Club of Grayling welcomes five new members

The Rotary Club of Grayling recently welcomed five new members to the organization. They are Jason Alexander, Deputy, Crawford County Sheriff's Department; Misty Ankney, manager of Days Inn - Grayling; Charlie Bertram, owner of Northern Lawn and Home Care; Robbyn Cudney, manager of Three Lakes Abstract and Title; and Mark

Davey, DDS, Dr. Davey's Office.

These new members will join

50 other club members in sup-

porting a variety of community

and international efforts. Fund-

raising events include the annual

raffle calendar sales, a Minstrel Show, the annual garage sale, the Avita Water Black Bear Bicycle Tour, the annual Golf

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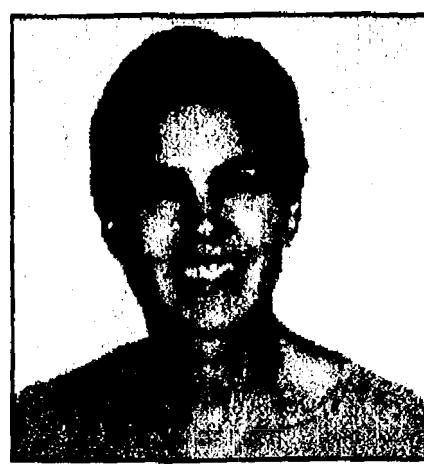
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## BUSINESS NEWS



Diane O'Connor

The Alzheimer's Association of the Greater Michigan Chapter, Northern Michigan Region, announces the appointment of Diane O'Connor, RN, BSN, CHPN as program coordinator for the region. As program coordinator, Diane will be responsible for all programs and services that reflect the Alzheimer's Association's mission. Her primary focus at this time will be in community education and awareness as well as the promotion of the Alzheimer's Association Helpline services, Safe Return Program, Respite Services and

Support Groups.

Through education and services, the Alzheimer's Association assists and supports the northern Michigan families and caregivers who are faced with the daily challenges of Alzheimer's disease. For more information about Alzheimer's Disease and programs, services and information the Alzheimer's Association offers, please visit the office located on the second floor of the Health Department Building at 100 Woods Circle, Ste. 300, Alpena, or call us at 989-356-4087 or 800-272-3900.

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Lynne Rudden

Experience Works has announced that Lynne Rudden will join them as a new Employment and Training Coordinator (ETC). She will be covering the northern Michigan counties of Emmet, Cheboygan, Presque Isle, Charlevoix, Antrim, Otsego, Montmorency, Alpena, Alcona, Oscoda, Crawford, Kalkaska, Grand Traverse

Benzie and Leelanau.

Experience Works, a national nonprofit organization, is focused on meeting the employment and training needs of low-income seniors age 55 and above. Working with local nonprofit organizations, Experience Works places individuals in paid training assignments where they can learn new marketable job skills or update old ones. They then offer assistance with resumes, online job searches, interview coaching and leads to help participants find jobs in the private sector.

Rudden has a strong background in recruitment, assessment, training and skills development from her work in corporate communications and management. She has managed over 90 individuals simultaneously. She has developed new business opportunities with clients such as AT&T, EDS, HP, the State of Michigan, Ford and UAW-Ford.

Rudden has a B.S. in Marketing and Communications

from St. Mary's College in Orchard Lake. She also earned a diploma from Specs Howard School of Broadcast Arts in Southfield and is a private tutor in Chinese Language - Level 1. She was previously employed, and co-owner of, Trinity Development Group, LLC of Grayling.

"Lynne is a natural manager and genuinely enjoys motivating others to learn and reach their full potential," says Robin Branch, Manager of Workforce Services for the Michigan/Indiana Region. "She is an effective communicator and is self-motivated to learn and lead."

"I truly enjoy older people and have a genuine desire to work with them," Says Rudden.

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This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Feb. 1 - Lunch - baked chicken, potatoes and peas, stewed tomatoes and pineapple. No Dinner. 10 a.m. Tone and Tubes, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo.

Monday, Feb. 4 - Lunch - scalloped potatoes with ham,

peas, peaches, and an apple. Dinner - beef goulash, corn, cauliflower and mixed fruit. 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Back on Duty, 1 p.m. Bridge, 3:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. hearing clinic, 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. SPLASH at Mercy Rehab.

Tuesday, Feb. 5 - Lunch - honey BBQ chicken ribs, O'Brien potatoes, riviera blend vegetables and grapes. Dinner - Swiss steak, boiled potatoes, green beans and pears. 10 a.m. Tone and Tubes and Bible Study, 12:45 p.m. Euchre, 1 p.m. Sit and Be Fit, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood

pressure/sugar checks, 5:30 p.m. game night.

Wednesday, Feb. 6 - Lunch - macaroni and cheese, mixed vegetables, Brussels sprouts and mandarin oranges. Dinner - chicken stir-fry, rice, asparagus, oranges and grapefruit, and a cherry brownie. 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Commodities at St. Mary's, 10 a.m. line dancing, 1 p.m. Kings and Queens, 2 p.m. pool league, 5:30 p.m. Price is Right game show.

Thursday, Feb. 7 - Lunch - chicken tenders, mashed pota-

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 91 complaints the week of Jan. 21-Jan. 27.

One EMS response, one missing person, 17 general non-criminal complaints, one delinquent minor, three false alarm activations, two assault/intimidation/

stalkings, one burglary/home invasion, two larcenies, one larceny of gas-self service station, one fraudulent activity, one damage to property, one drug/narcotic violation, one sex offense/incest, one inspection/investigation-motor vehicle, four public peace/disturbances, three health and safeties, one food-adulterated, one miscellaneous criminal offense, two miscellaneous criminal arrests, 16 traffic accidents, four accidents-non-traffic, two traffic violations-civil infractions, one inspection/investigation-motor vehicle, four public peace/disturbances, three health and safeties, one food

family, 13 suspicious situations and two driving violations/driving while license suspended. Sheriff Wakefield asks: Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future."

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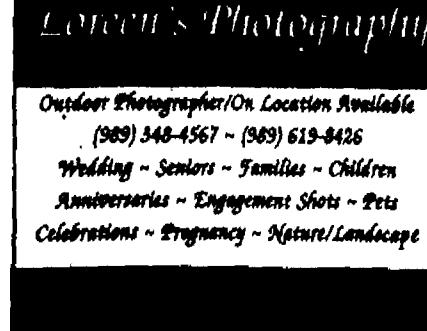
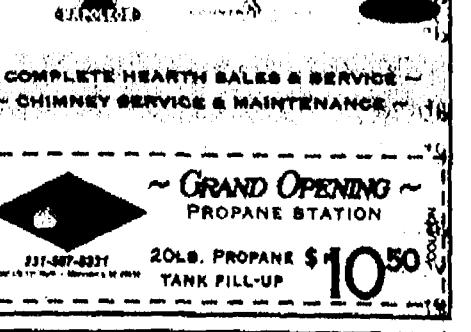
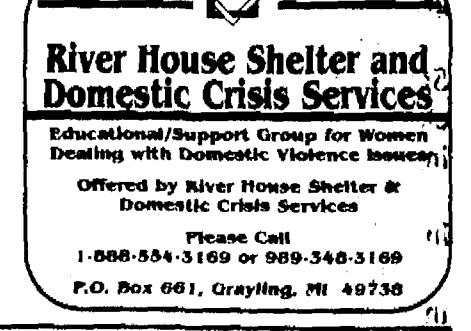
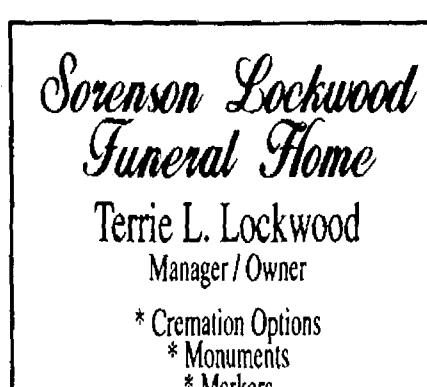
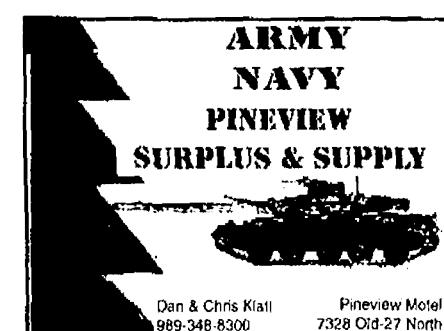
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## AREA BUSINESS DIRECTORY





Justin Andre, the director of operations for Hanson Hills, groomed a special trail behind the school for the students to test their cross country skiing skills.

## Students test their Nordic ski skills

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climbing Mt. Everest.

"To get to the top, you have to take it one step at a time," Johnson said.

After the lessons, the students were outfitted with their ski boots and given skis and poles. The 46 sets of boots, skis and poles are part of a traveling set of equipment owned by the Great Lakes Winter Trails Council.

Bob Fry, the owner of Cross County Ski Headquarters in Roscommon, said the equipment was accumulated by the national Cross Country Ski Areas Association. An instructor used to travel around with the equipment in a van to the schools, but that turned out to be financially unfeasible.

The equipment was turned over to the Great Lakes Winter Trails Council, and each member organization transports the equipment to the schools.

"There is a huge demand for the skis once they get into schools and it's really good," said Fry, who teaches students at Roscommon Elementary School.

The Hanson Hills staff brought the skis from Crystal Mountain in Thompsonville to Grayling last week.

This is the second year in a row that the program was offered to Grayling students. Hanson Hills offered to groom the trail and provide instruction for the three days of classes this year, said Ilene Geiss-Wilson, the executive director for the Grayling Visitors Bureau, which is a member of the Great Lakes Winter Trails Council.

"They were very good about stepping forward and helping out," Geiss-Wilson said. "I think it's a great program and a good way to get kids used to cross country skiing and hopefully foster a love for winter outdoor sports."

The students braved the chilly weather as they made their way around the groomed trail placed in back of the school playground.

"It's cool that the school is doing this for us," said fifth grader Mason Papendick.

Sydney Denno, a student in Sandy Bayham's fifth grade class, said taking part in the skiing lesson was just plain fun.

"It was exiting going down the hills," she said.

Although the students took their tumbles, they enjoyed getting outdoors during the school day.

"It's not about being good, it's about having fun," said fifth grader Randi Lemaster.

Angela Miller, who was among a group of parents who volunteered to help with the program, said one girl already knows what she wants for Christmas after returning from the ski trail.

"She said she was going to put a set of skis on her list for Santa," Miller said.

Joni Dunckel, the program director for Hanson Hills, said she hopes the lessons will draw



Photo by Dan Sanderson

Kelly Sheehan, the physical education teacher at Grayling Elementary School, and John Johnson, a certified ski instructor from Midland who teaches at Saginaw Valley State and Central Michigan University, taught the students the basic cross country skiing techniques inside the school gym. Nick Terry, a ski instructor at Hanson Hills, also assisted the classes. Above, Johnson shows the students how the boots hook into the skis.

more children and families out to the recreation area.

"It's a great way to get in an aerobic sport in the winter," Dunckel said.

The ski equipment will now go to the Roscommon Elementary

School, where students will use them during their gym and recess periods, after receiving the ski lessons.

"Once they learn how to play in the snow, they actually start liking winter," Fry said.



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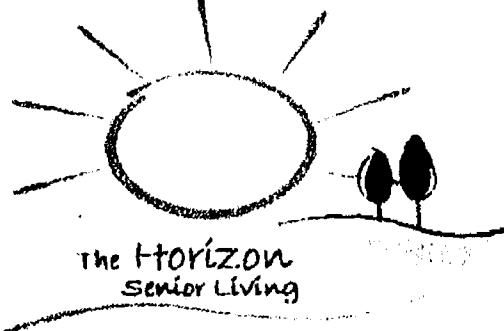
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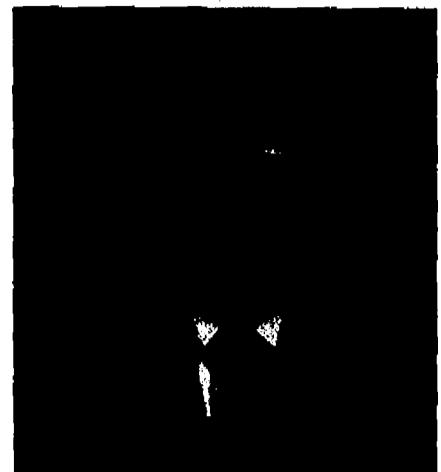
The Frederic Community Library will host "Decorate Your Hearts Desire" on Saturday, Feb. 9, at 11 a.m. Children will be treated to stories about Valentine's Day and satisfy both their creative side and sweet tooth by decorating cupcakes. For more information or to sign up, call Connie Meyer at 989-348-4067.

The Friends of the Crawford County Library are pleased to have Chef Larry Meyer back for a dessert making demonstration, entitled "How Sweet It Is," at the Devereaux Memorial Library on Thursday, Feb. 7, at 6:30 p.m. This program celebrates Valentine's Day and the dessert lover in all of us. For questions or to sign up, call 989-348-9214.

Have you read "The Nick Adams Stories" yet? Readers across the state are enjoying this literary classic by Ernest Hemingway, picked by the Michigan Humanities Council, to be the first ever Great Michigan Read. This book was selected because most of the stories are set in Michigan and the author spent a majority of his first 22 summers here. The culmination of this program will be a state-wide book discussion between friends, family and book clubs.

Children's Story Hour takes place at the Devereaux Memorial Library every Wednesday from 11 a.m. - noon. Miss B. always has some exciting fun filled activities and stories to entice young children's imaginations.

## OBITUARIES



**John D. Tournaud**

**Feb. 15, 1926 - Jan. 27, 2008**

John D. Tournaud, 81, of Ocala, Fla., passed away at the Life Care Center in Ocala, after an extensive heart surgery two weeks prior at the Munroe Regional Medical Center, where he had volunteered for 21 years.

He was born in Manchester Conn., on February 15, 1926.

He married Marion Sheridan and they had three children.

He served his country in both World War II and the Korean War. He was a lieutenant in the Air Force.

He and his family moved to Farmington Hills, where they lived for 15 years.

He graduated valedictorian from Alfred University in Connecticut.

He was a chemical engineer and sold refractories to the automotive industry.

After his children graduated high school, he and his wife moved to Grayling, where they built a home on the Manistee River. He was an avid fly fisherman and loved to fish the AuSable and Manistee Rivers.

He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, along with his wife, and they were both devout Catholics.

The winters became too hard, so he and his wife moved to Ocala, Fla., where he fished the gulf for sea trout and bass.

He is survived by his children: John N. Tournaud and Robert S. Tournaud, both of White Lake; Louise Tournaud-Quigley of Grayling; grandchildren: Jonathan Tournaud, Nicole Tournaud, Robbie Tournaud, Monique Tournaud and Kellan Quigley of Kalamazoo; sister, Jean Keish of Arlington, Texas; and daughters-in-law, Cheryl Tournaud and Sandra Tournaud of White Lake.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife, Marion Louise Tournaud; and sister, Alexa Sanders.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, February 3. A graveside service will be held in May at Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling. The service will be announced at a later date.

He will be sadly missed by many friends and family.

**Ruth Ann Kerosky**

**Oct. 16, 1924 - Jan. 26, 2008**

Ruth Ann Kerosky, 83, of Grayling, passed away on January 26, 2008.

She was born in Grayling, on October 16, 1924, to the late Joseph S. and Marie (Endricks) Kerosky.

She lived all of her life in Grayling and worked at the Ben Franklin Store for 40 years.

She enjoyed reading and playing cards with friends.

She is survived by her brother, Jim (Marilyn) Kerosky of Wausau, Wis.; cousin, Milene Steele of Grayling; and nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Joseph Kerosky.

Visitation will be held on January 31, from 3 p.m. - 7 p.m., at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

A funeral service will be held at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home, at 1 p.m. on February 1, with Dr. Robert Barnett officiating.

Interment will be held at Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling.

Condolences may be sent to [www.sorensonlockwood.com](http://www.sorensonlockwood.com). Arrangements entrusted to Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.



**Donald J. Praise**

**Sept. 13, 1930 - Jan. 21, 2008**

Donald Julius Praise, 77, of Grayling, passed away at his home on January 21, 2008.

He was born in Central Lake, on September 13, 1930, to Julius E. and Edith H. (Ward) Praise.

He attended Central Lake School and served four years in the Coast Guard.

He attended UCLA and Michigan State, where he received his bachelor's degree in accounting.

In 1974, he started his own accounting business in Grayling, "Don's Accounting," which he handed down to this youngest son Dan Praise in 2005.

He enjoyed work, camping, fishing, hunting, golfing and most of all, his family.

He was a past treasurer for the Grayling Fairgrounds and Grayling Redskins. He participated in the Boy Scouts. He was a member of the Lions Club and the Eagles Club.

He is survived by his brother, Robert (Marie) Praise of Grayling; sister, LouAnn (Bill) Rife of Traverse City; children: Jim Praise of Dove Canyon, Calif., Charlene (Jack) Overton of Huntington Beach, Calif., Stan (Nancy) Praise of Hemet, Calif., Beverly Smith (Carol Mickelson) of San Dimas, Calif., Dennis (Teri) Praise of High Pointe, N.C., Dave (Lorrie) Praise of Falmouth, Larry (Debbie) Praise of Alanson, Brad Praise of Oden; and Dan Praise of Grayling; step-children: Dennis (Sue) Pittman of Florissant, Colo., Scott Pittman and Denise (Glenn) Gault, both of Grayling; Wendy (Kevin) Pratt of Gaylord, Randy (Lori) and Sandra Pittman, both of Grayling; 44 grandchildren; and 37 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Patsy (Pittman) Praise; parents, Julius E. and Edith H. Praise; brother, David Praise; paternal grandparents, William and Margaret Praise; and maternal grandparents, Ben and Mary Ward.

In accordance with his wishes, cremation has taken place. A memorial gathering and luncheon will be held on Saturday, Feb. 9, from 2 p.m. - 5 p.m., at the Grayling Eagles Club.

Interment of his ashes will be in the family's private cemetery in Grayling.

Memorials may be made to: Mercy Hospice, 324 Meadows Drive, Grayling, MI 49738.

Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

**Gloria P. Zappella**

Gloria P. Zappella, 79, of Bear Lake Township, passed away on January 28, 2008.

She was born in Grayling, on October 16, 1924, to the late Joseph S. and Marie (Endricks) Kerosky.

She lived all of her life in Grayling and worked at the Ben Franklin Store for 40 years.

She enjoyed reading and playing cards with friends.

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## HONORS



**Amy Travis**

Amy Travis, of Fairview, received a scholarship presented by Melvin Nunn. This scholarship is for Kirtland Community College from the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel (MARSP). She graduated from Fairview High School and attends Kirtland Community College. She has received her license in Practical Nurse Degree in 2000 and will graduate with a RN license from KCC in 2009.

## Jim Hodges

**Dec. 13, 1947 - Jan. 20, 2008**

Jim Hodges, 60, of Roscommon, passed away at Hilltop Manor Health Center, Roscommon, on January 20, 2008.

He was born in Grayling, on December 13, 1947, to Howard M. and Frances A. (Sheppard) Hodges.

He was a lifetime resident of Roscommon, except from 1988-1990, where he resided in Dickson, Tenn.

He had worked for Hodges Lumber Co., was a driver for Dial-A-Ride, a courier for NBD, Ace Hardware in Dickson, Tenn., a clerk at Randall Lumber and ran the ReStore for the Roscommon County Habitat for Humanity.

He was a member of the First Congregational Church, Roscommon, a lifetime member of the Higgins Township Fire Department for over 42 years, including at least two terms as Chief. He was involved in building the current fire and EMS facility. He served Higgins Township and the Village of Roscommon in many different capacities, including the township zoning board, the board of appeals, a trustee on the township board and he oversaw the township compost site. For over 10 years he watered the flowers on Roscommon roads in his effort to make Roscommon beautiful.

He was a member of the Michigan Firemen's Memorial Festival Committee, a charter member of the Roscommon Jaycees, Roscommon County Habitat for Humanity, a lifetime member of the Roscommon County Area Firemen's Association, the Roscommon Area Historical Society and the Roscommon DDA. There wasn't much going on in Roscommon that he wasn't involved with.

He was survived by children, Kim (Carl) Musselman of Mancelona, Amy (Mark) Eckles of Fairview, Tenn; three grandchildren: Zachary, Nathan and Danielle; mother, Frances Hodges of Roscommon; brothers, Dave Hodges and Doug (Nanci) Hodges, both of Roscommon; sister, Jean Ann (Philip) Baker of Gaylord, three nephews: Chris Hodges of Pageland, S.C., Keith (Kathy) Pittenger of Traverse City and Steve (Stacy) Terrill of Grand Forks, N.D.; two nieces, Wendy (Dale) Barnes of Lake City and Dawn (Matt) Dodge of Roscommon; seven great-nephews: Kyle and Brady Terrill of Grand Forks, N.D., Andrew Barnes of Lake City, Charles Pittenger of Traverse City, Alex, Grant and Ben Dodge of Roscommon; and three great-nieces: Angela (Troy) Erber of Roscommon and Julia and Emma Pittenger of Traverse City.

He was preceded in death by his father, Howard Hodges; and nephews, James Terrill and Michael Hodges.

The funeral service was held on January 23, at the First Congregational Church, Roscommon, with Pastor Nancy Bresette officiating.

Interment will be at the Roscommon Village Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to the Michigan Firemen's Memorial Festival Committee, P.O. Box 672, Roscommon, MI 48653.

Arrangements made by Walsh Funeral Home, Roscommon.

# Wrestling squad finishes LMC regular season at 5-0

Grayling wins 69-12 at Elk Rapids on Thursday night

■ Vikings win eight of 10 contested matches — seven by pin — in last week's league meet

The Grayling High School wrestling team finished its 2007-2008 conference regular season with a 69-12 victory at Elk Rapids last Thursday. The Vikings will take a 5-0 league record into this Saturday's Lake Michigan Conference wrestling tournament, an event that factors into which team will be crowned league champion this year.

On Thursday night, the Vikings won eight of 10 contested matches vs. the Elks. Grayling won the other two weight classes by default.

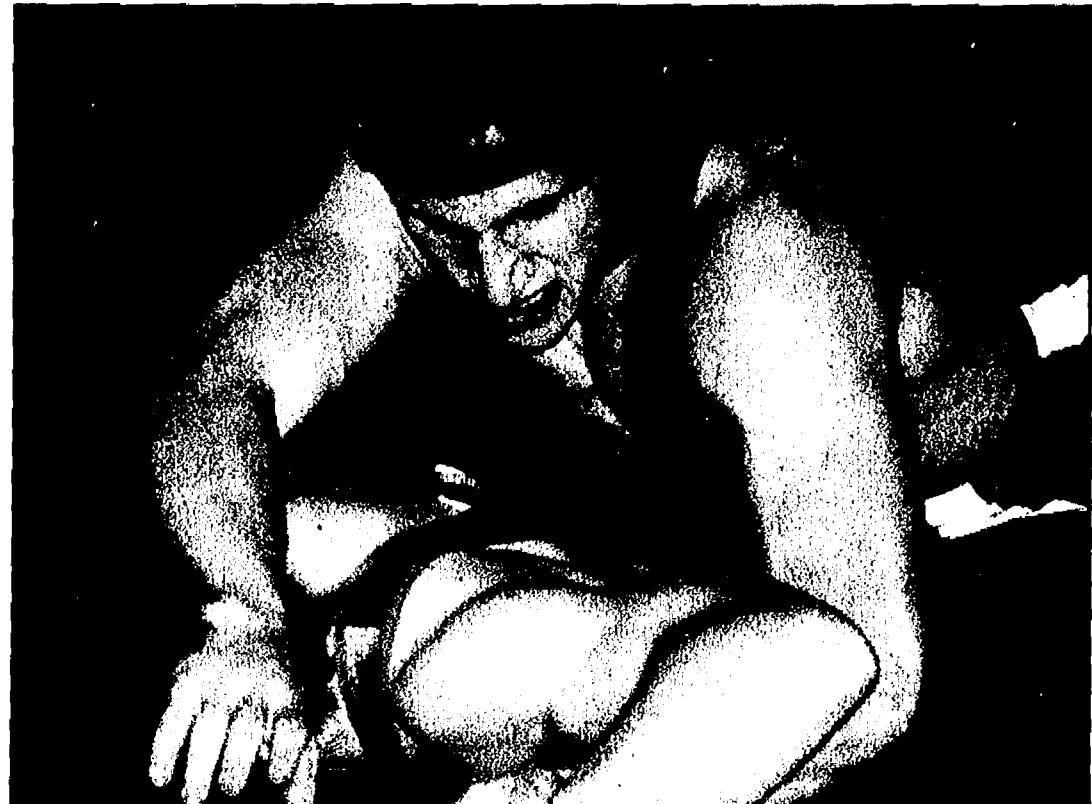
Joey Contreras won the 215-pound division by default. Eric Madill (215) won his match with a first round pin. Kyle Peters won the heavyweight division with a second round pin. Elk Rapids won the 103-pound weight class by pin in the first round.

Joe White (112) pinned his Elk Rapids opponent in the first round. Olivia Peters (119) and Dan Duvall (125) won by default. Josh Moggo (130) scored a pin in the first round. Stephen Grove (135) won by default.

Zach Wolcott (140) pinned his Elk Rapids counterpart in the second round. Jon George (145) won a 6-0 decision. Cody Colen (152) and Mykel Revord (160) pinned their Elk Rapids opponents in the second round. The

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See "WRESTLING..."



Photos by Caleb Casey

Josh Moggo (130), left, and Jon George (145), right, battle Elk Rapids opponents during last Thursday's conference wrestling meet at Elk Rapids High School.



Zach Wolcott (140), left, and Kyle Peters (heavyweight), right, wrestle against the Elks on Thursday night.

## Local team wins 8th Tip-Up Town title



A team from Grayling won its eighth consecutive Tip-Up Town softball on ice championship this past weekend. The squad, which was sponsored by Gaylord Ford this year, posted a 4-0 record in the two-day, double elimination tournament held on the ice of Houghton Lake on Jan. 26 and 27. The team: (front, L to R) Tim Burr, David Burr; (middle, L to R) Corey Derenzy, Mark Burke, Dave Burr, Darrell Metzer, Gunner Metzer; (back, L to R) Josh Hinkle, Dustin Engstrom, D.J. Metzer, Tommy Pratt, Dale Metzer, Caleb Casey. Not pictured: John Cottenham.

## Vikings fall to Bucks 70-61 on Monday

■ GHS varsity boys basketball team loses league game at Charlevoix on Friday

The Grayling Vikings lost two varsity boys basketball games last week — a non-conference battle at Roscommon on Monday and a league match at Charlevoix on Friday night.

The Bucks led 34-23 at half-time of Monday's game against the Vikings. Roscommon took a 56-41 advantage into the fourth period. Grayling outscored Roscommon 20-14 in the fourth quarter, but RHS won by nine points.

"Three things hurt us early in  
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Jacob Aubry looks for an open teammate during last Monday's game at Roscommon.

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## Cheer team places 4th at Kalkaska



The Grayling High School cheerleading squad took 4th place at a competition in Kalkaska on Wednesday, Jan. 23. They received a plaque for their accomplishment. The team: (front, L to R) Jessica Myers, Bridget Riehle; (middle, L to R) Kim McQueen, Callie Wilkins, Alicia Stanley, Makenna Harwood, Julie Teal; (back, L to R) Jessica Pickell, Amber McCleave, Crystal Patterson.

## JV squad leads 25-19 at halftime, Boyne wins 57-38

■ Ramblers outscore  
Vikings 27-6 in third  
quarter of Tuesday's  
contest at GHS

Grayling High School's junior varsity girls basketball team lost to the Boyne City Ramblers and Charlevoix Rayders last week.

On Tuesday, the Vikings led 25-19 at halftime vs. Boyne City, but the Ramblers outscored Grayling 27-6 in the third quarter to take a 46-31 advantage into the fourth period. Boyne City won the contest by a final score of 57-38.

Leading scorers for GHS included: Kirstie Wakeley, 10 points, 4 rebounds; Mackenzie Harwood, 8 points, 3 rebounds; Naomi Anglemyer, 6 points, 4 rebounds; Teresa Schreiber, 4 points, 3 rebounds; Haley Wiseman, 5 points, 3 rebounds; Katie Lange, 5 points.

"I was very proud of the team for playing hard and playing through tough conditions. The

last time we played Boyne, we were losing 30-13 at halftime, and this game we were leading 25-19. The girls came to play, and we were hitting our shots. Defensively, we tightened up and rebounded well against a good physical team," Coach Craig Hofman said. "I was very proud of the girls for stepping up against the pressure when we lost our two main guards — Katie Lange and Teresa Schreiber — to foul trouble in the second quarter. Kirstie Wakeley and Naomi Anglemyer did a nice job filling in when necessary. Mackenzie (Harwood) also did a very good job all game defensively."

"Unfortunately, we could not keep the momentum going. We struggled big time in the third quarter against their press. We threw the ball away and turned it over (more than) 30 times — most of those in the third quarter, where we were outscored 27-6. We just regressed into our old bad habits and our concentration was not there," Coach Hofman said. "The fourth quarter was better. They outscored us, but only 11-7. We are going to have to have strong guard play from Katie Lange, Teresa Schreiber, Mackenzie (Harwood), and Kirstie Wakeley for the rest of the year to be successful. Hopefully, Jessica Zarnick can come back from her knee injury to help us out. She was very consistent against the press and defensively very solid."

"All the girls need to step up their games as we go through each of our league teams again. I feel we showed some real improvement against Boyne, but we need to do that against every team we play," Coach Hofman said.

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tougher on us when Lindsey Argue had to leave the game in the second quarter with a severely jammed finger. To her credit, she stayed in the game and hit a free throw. She unfortunately was not able to play in the rest of



Lindsey Argue fights for a loose ball on Tuesday.

said. The Vikings fell to the Rayders at Charlevoix by a final score of 71-25 on Thursday night.

Grayling's leading scorers included: Harwood, 8 points, 5 rebounds; Wakeley, 6 points, 5 rebounds; Schreiber, 4 points; Lindsey Argue, 3 points; Wiseman, 2 points.

"We knew this would be a tough game, and the news did not get much better before the game, losing another player to injury. It is hard to play what is probably the best team in our league with six girls. The girls played hard and held their own for the first part of the first quarter, but Charlevoix started hitting their shots, and they are a very good shooting team — inside and out," Coach Hofman said.

"The game continued to get tougher on us when Lindsey Argue had to leave the game in the second quarter with a severely jammed finger. To her credit, she stayed in the game and hit a free throw. She unfortunately was not able to play in the rest of

the game. The girls continued to play hard and at times looked very good, but at other times they did not. Offensively, they have to remember to move and cut to the basket. We stood around too much and did not see the open person," Coach Hofman said.

"Teresa Schreiber was playing better, controlling the ball and seeing people, but on a drive to the basket she twisted her ankle and had to leave the game. We finished the game in the fourth quarter with four people. The Charlevoix team and coach showed a lot of class by keeping five on the floor but only playing four people at each end. Great sportsmanship," Coach Hofman said. "I am proud of the way the girls continued to play and fight through one of the strangest sequences of events I have ever witnessed happen to one team. The girls will keep competing and playing hard and improving."

The JV squad (2-12) will host Elk Rapids on Thursday, Jan. 31.

## Varsity squad falls to Boyne City, Charlevoix

The Grayling Vikings lost two varsity girls basketball league games last week, falling to Charlevoix on Thursday and Boyne City on Tuesday.

On Thursday night, Grayling lost 74-32 at Charlevoix.

Leading scorers for the Vikings included: Laura Boylan, 15 points, 6 rebounds, 3 blocks; Tiffany Davis, 6 points, 6 rebounds; Annie Melroy, 3 points; Alyssa Lewis, 2 points, 4 rebounds; Liz Dandy, 2 points, 4 rebounds.

"Practice pays off. We were 8 (for) 13 from the free-throw line,

with Tiffany Davis making 4 (of) 4," Coach Kelly Sheehan said.

"Our tough defense made a strong Charlevoix team earn their baskets."

In a home game on Tuesday night, the Vikings lost 62-25 vs. the Boyne City Ramblers.

"Boyne played probably their best game all year. It seemed like their shots all went in," Coach Sheehan said. "We played our best first quarter of the season, scoring 12 points."

Boylan had 12 points, 6 rebounds, and 3 assists for GHS. Sam Schreiber had 6 points, 3

assists, and 2 steals. Ashley Feldhauser scored 4 points.

Grayling (1-13) will host Elk

Rapids on Thursday, Jan. 31.

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Jessie Baker shoots the ball for Grayling vs. Boyne City on Tuesday.



James Schweizer, left, handles the ball for the Vikings at Roscommon on Monday. Carl Gaff, right, looks for an open teammate during Monday's JV contest vs. the Bucks.

## JV Vikings open 4th quarter with 12-0 run, win 53-41

**■ Grayling outscoring Bucks 19-2 in first six minutes of 4th period on Monday at RHS**

The GHS junior varsity boys basketball team scored 12 unanswered points to start the fourth quarter last Monday at Roscommon High School, giving the team a 16-point advantage with about four minutes left in regulation. The Vikings won the contest by 12 points, 53-41.

Grayling led 13-9 after one quarter. The Vikings had a 21-13 lead at halftime. Going into the fourth quarter, GHS led by four, 34-30.

The Vikings opened the fourth

period with a 12-0 run. The scoring series included (in order) two free throws by Joe Tottingham, a drive by Colin Hamlin, a jump shot by Taylor Desenfants, an inside shot by Wesley Willoughby, two free throws by Jordan Small, and a lay-up by Josh Johnson.

Hamlin converted two free throws at the 2:02 mark to give the Vikings a 53-32 advantage. Roscommon scored nine points in the final two minutes, but Grayling won by 12, 53-41.

Leading scorers for Grayling included: Small (11 points), Tottingham (10 points), Desenfants (9 points), Hamlin (8 points), Tyler Hanson (6 points),

Johnson (5 points), Willoughby (4 points).

"This was a well balanced team effort. We tried some new things on defense, but in the end it was our man-to-man defense that kept Roscommon in check. Jordan Small had a huge game on the offensive boards, which led to most of his points," Coach Chris Kucharek said. "This was a big win for this team. Our current record is 5-6, and we already have as many wins this season as this group has had for their entire basketball career."

On Friday night, the Vikings lost 60-43 at Charlevoix.

Grayling's scoring leaders included: Hamlin (12 points),

Tottingham (9 points), Hanson (7 points), James Schweizer (4 points), Carl Gaff (3 points), Joe Somero (1 point), Adam Wargo (1 point).

"I thought we handled their press pretty well, but we couldn't seem to finish at the other end. Bottom line - we need to play better team defense. It's tough to beat any JV team when you're giving up 18 points a quarter," Coach Kucharek said. "James Schweizer, Joe Somero, Adam Wargo, and Shivam Patel did some nice things late in the fourth quarter. It was fun to watch."

The JV team (5-7) will host Harbor Springs on Friday, Feb. 1, at 6 p.m.

## Vikings fall to Bucks 70-61

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this game. One - our inability to stop dribble penetration. Two - rebounding. Roscommon beat us on the boards by a 42-24 count. Three - our inability to close out on their shooters. Mike Alden hit some big shots early for the Bucks," Coach Rich Moffit said.

"Our players finished strong in the fourth quarter with our run and jump press. We forced several Roscommon turnovers and raised our defensive intensity. Richie Schreiber played a solid game with 28 points and seven assists. Trent Larm shot the ball well from the outside and competed hard. Al Gabriel and Matt McDonald provided a spark off the bench," Coach Moffit said.

Leading scorers for GHS included: Schreiber, 28 points, 7 assists, 6 steals; Larm, 17 points; Josh Stapleton, 6 points, 3 assists, 2 steals; Tyler Steffey, 4 points, 5 rebounds; Spencer Dean, 3 points, 5 rebounds; Jason Drudge, 3 points, 3 assists; Gabriel, 2 points, 4 rebounds.

The Vikings lost a conference game at Charlevoix by a final score of 65-35 on Friday night.

Grayling's scoring leaders included: Gabriel, 6 points, 7 rebounds; Eric Ferrigan, 6



Rocky McNamara drives toward the basket for Grayling on Monday night at Roscommon.

points; Larm, 6 points; Dean, 6 points; Stapleton, 5 points, 2 steals.

The Vikings (3-9) will host Harbor Springs on Friday, Feb. 1.

Friday night's home contest will include a pregame ceremony to honor Mark Hartman, who is retiring from coaching basketball in Grayling after more than 20 years of service.

"Friends, former players, and Viking basketball fans are invited to attend," Coach Moffit said. "There will be a reception for Coach Hartman after the game."

## Vikings place 4th, 5th at league ski meet

Grayling High School's varsity boys and girls ski teams finished 4th and 5th, respectively, at last Thursday's six-team Lake Michigan Conference meet at Nub's Nob.

Mike Olson placed 6th in giant slalom (GS) and 12th in slalom for Grayling. Matt Hilbrecht finished 9th in slalom and 23rd in GS. Brady Coe took 16th in GS and 20th in slalom. Matt Dunckel was 18th in GS and 29th in slalom. Peter Alexander placed 21st in slalom and 34th in GS. John Ventline finished 28th and 31st.

The Vikings will ski in a league meet at Nub's Nob on Thursday, Jan. 31.

Hannah Smith took 13th in GS. Ciara Summers finished 14th in GS and 24th in slalom. Hailey McMahon was 21st in slalom and 24th in GS. Heaven Bergman took 26th and 27th. Peggy Curriston finished 26th in slalom and 27th in GS.

Harbor Springs won the boys competition with 42 team points. Grayling was 4th with 125 points.

In the girls competition, Boyne City finished 1st with 62 points. Grayling had 146 points and took 5th.

The Vikings will ski in a league meet at Nub's Nob on Thursday, Jan. 31.

Rich had 28 points and 7 assists at Roscommon on Monday night. "He had an outstanding game vs. Roscommon and is getting better game by game," his coach said.

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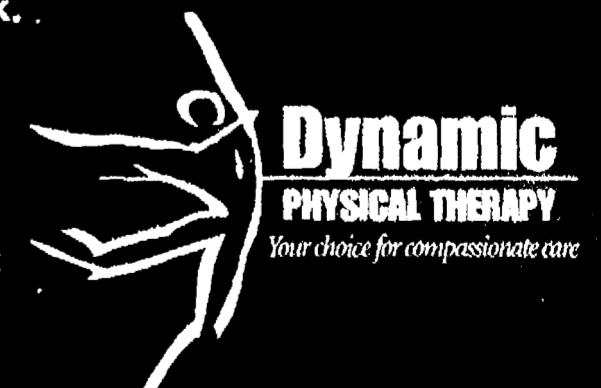
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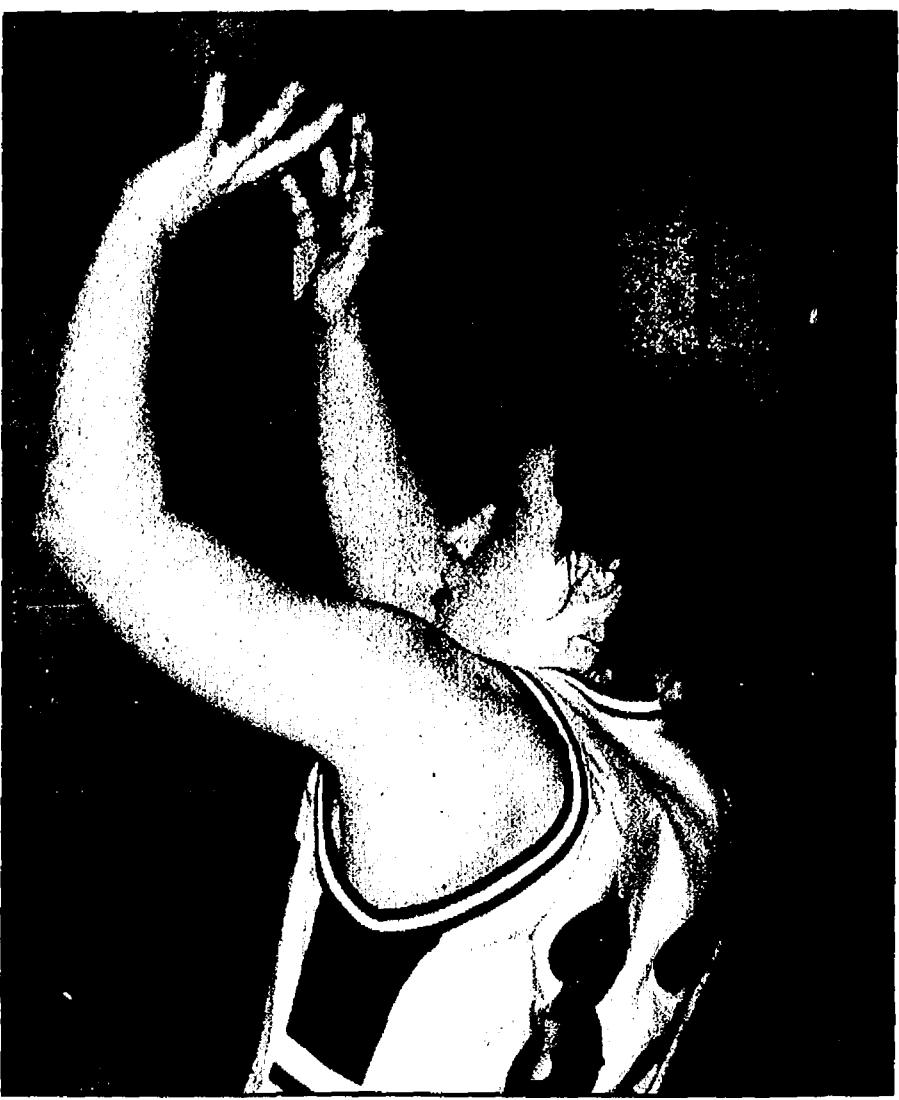
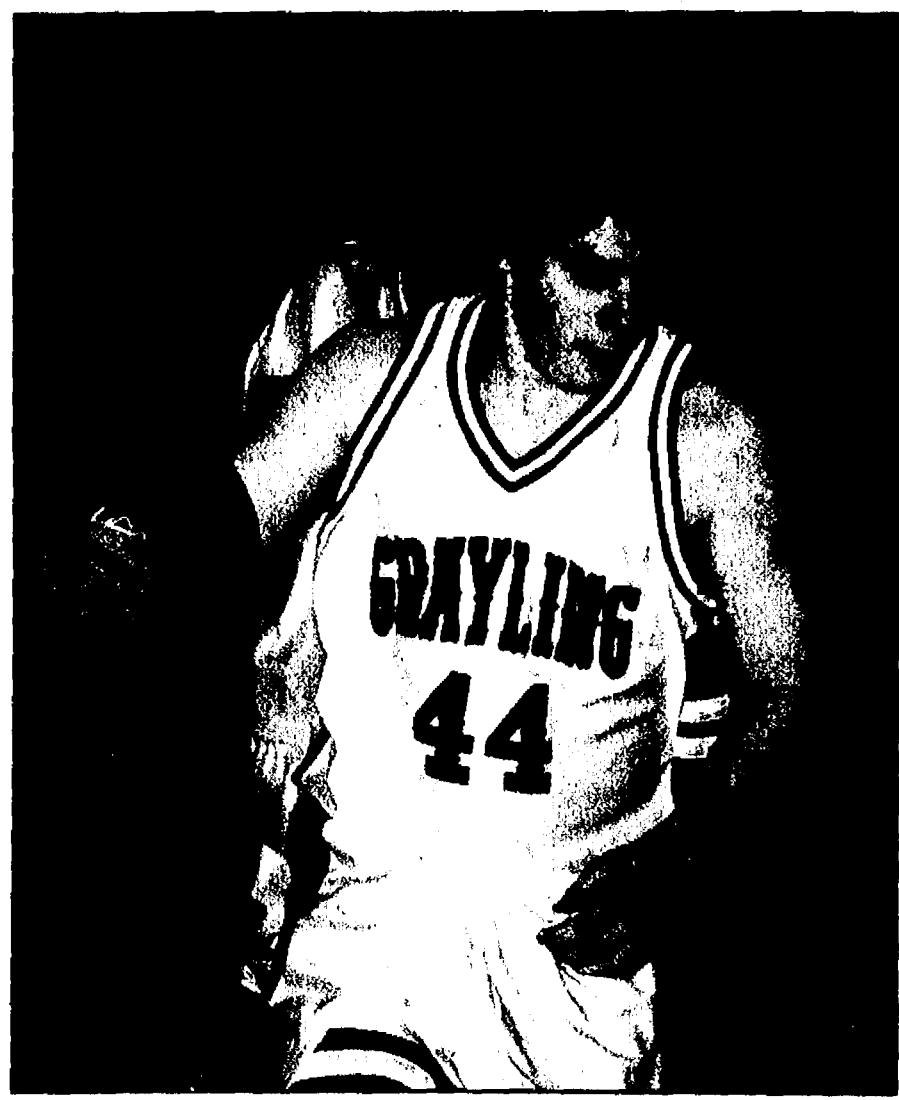
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Jake Helsel, left, dribbles the ball for the Vikings on Wednesday night vs. the Bobcats. Ethan Lewis, right, takes a jump shot for Grayling.

## **9th grade squad wins 55-37 at Roscommon**

Grayling High School's freshman boys basketball squad defeated the Roscommon Bucks 55-37 at Roscommon High School last Monday.

"We put together a complete game," Coach L.J. Mead said. "We were physical and attacked the game. I liked the effort and intensity that our kids played with."

Leading scorers for GHS included: Ethan Lewis, 21 points, 7 rebounds, 3 steals; Jake Helsel, 13 points, 8 rebounds, 3 steals; Jake Small, 10 points; Jensen Aubry, 6 points, 15 rebounds, 8 steals; Ryan Teeple, 3 points, 6 rebounds, 2 steals; Brent Steffey, 2 points, 2 rebounds.

On Wednesday night, the Vikings took a 29-27 lead into the fourth quarter vs. the

Houghton Lake Bobcats, but Houghton Lake outscored GHS 12-4 in the final eight minutes of the game to win by six points, 39-33.

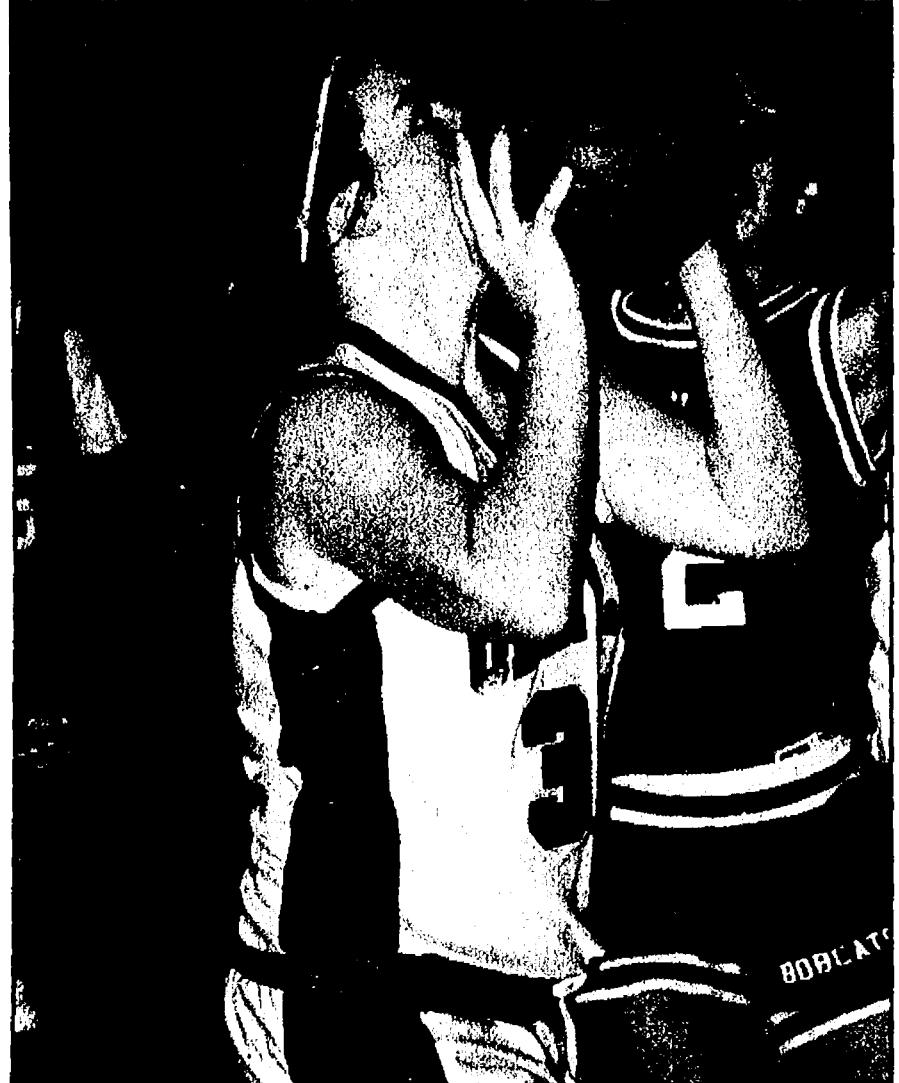
"This was a tough loss," Coach Mead said. "We played tough, but simply ran out of gas when we needed it most. Offensively, we executed well in the first half, but we struggled to score in the second half."

Grayling's scoring leaders included: Aubry, 15 points, 9 rebounds, 2 steals; Lewis, 10 points, 12 rebounds; Helsel, 4 points, 3 assists, 11 rebounds, 3 steals; Steffey, 2 points, 3 rebounds; Teeple, 2 points; Small, 2 points.

The 9th grade team (3-8) will host Harbor Springs at 6 p.m. at Grayling Middle School on Friday, Feb. 1.



Luke Schneider passes the ball to a teammate on Wednesday vs. Houghton Lake.



Photos by Caleb Casey

Ashley Jensen, left, and Cassie Carter, right, shoot the ball for Grayling's freshman girls basketball team vs. Houghton Lake on Wednesday.

## **Freshman team loses by one, 23-22**

The GHS freshman girls basketball squad lost a 23-22 battle vs. the Houghton Lake Bobcats last Wednesday at Grayling High School.

Houghton Lake led 11-8 at halftime. The Bobcats also led by three points (17-14) going into the fourth quarter.

Inside shots by Cassie Carter and Abby Thomas gave the Vikings an 18-17 advantage with 6:01 left in regulation. A free throw shot by Thomas extended Grayling's lead to two, 19-17.

Two jump shots by Houghton Lake gave the Bobcats a 21-19 lead with 2:01 remaining in the

game. A free throw shot by Kristen Todoroff cut Houghton Lake's lead to one, 21-20, with 1:05 left on the clock.

Two free throws by Houghton Lake put the Bobcats up by three points, 23-20. Todoroff hit two free throws with four seconds left in the game to pull GHS within one, 23-22. Grayling stole Houghton Lake's in-bound pass and attempted a three-pointer at the buzzer, but the shot missed. The Bobcats won the contest by one point.

The freshman team will host Elk Rapids at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 31, at Grayling Middle School.



Rebecca Money dribbles the ball for Grayling.

## LEGAL ACTION

### STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

File No. 08-7373- DE  
Estate of Richard Samuel Lippard,  
Date of birth: 3/31/44

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Richard Samuel Lippard, who lived at 321 AuSable Court, Grayling, Michigan died 1-14-08.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Wendy Kucharek, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave, Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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Wendy Kucharek  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lawrence Chapman, An Unmarried Man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated January 30, 2006, and recorded on February 6, 2006 in Liber 679 on Page 726, in Crawford County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to CitiMortgage, Inc. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Seventeen And 82/100 Dollars (\$84,917.82), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 27, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot (s) 17, Pinewood Sites, part of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4, Section 16, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, according to the recorded plat thereof.

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Dated: January 24, 2008  
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Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public sale, in the lobby of the ground floor of the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 20, 2008.

The premises are situated in the Township of Frederic, County of

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Commonly known as 4916 Old 27, Frederic, Michigan 49733. Property Tax I.D. No.: 030-011-002-040-00.

And,

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The length of the redemption period is provided by law for this type of residential property is six (6) months from the date of sale.

Dated: January 17, 2008

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Randy S Milbocker and Lori A Milbocker, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Citizens Bank, Mortgagee, dated March 8, 2003, and recorded on March 24, 2003 in Liber 624 on Page 561, and rerecorded on August 21, 2003 in Liber 648 on Page 411, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifteen Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Eight And 88/100 Dollars (\$115,498.88), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 13, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 3: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 19,

Dated: January 17, 2008  
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### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Randy S Milbocker and Lori A Milbocker, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Citizens Bank, Mortgagee, dated March 8, 2003, and recorded on March 24, 2003 in Liber 624 on Page 561, and rerecorded on August 21, 2003 in Liber 648 on Page 411, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifteen Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Eight And 88/100 Dollars (\$115,498.88), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 13, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 3: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 19,

Town 28 North, Range 3 West, Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan, beginning at a point located distant North 00 degrees 21 minutes 20 seconds East, along the East line of said Section 19, a distance of 507.05 feet and North 61 degrees 00 minutes West, 186.75 feet; thence North 83 degrees 37 minutes East, 257.24 feet to the East line of said Section 19; thence South 00 degrees 21 minutes 20 seconds West, 665.91 feet to the point of beginning. Along with and subject to a 66 foot easement for ingress and egress and public utilities, centerline of said easement described as beginning at a point on the East line of said Section 19, located North 00 degrees 21 minutes 20 seconds East, 407.05 feet from the East 1/4 corner of said Section 19;

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## LEGAL ACTION

### STATE OF MICHIGAN CRAWFORD COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT FAMILY DIVISION

TAMMY PETERSON,  
Plaintiff,  
vs  
BRAD PETERSON,  
Defendant.

Case No. 07-7482-DO  
Hon. Dennis F. Murphy

MARGARET A. COTANT PLC.  
By: MARGARET A. COTANT P46911  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
213 East Main, P.O. Box 1595  
Gaylord, Michigan 49734  
(989) 732-2630

#### NOTICE OF ACTION

An action for divorce has been commenced by Plaintiff, Tammy Peterson, against Defendant, Brad Peterson, in the Crawford County Circuit Court for the State of Michigan. Defendant must answer or take other action permitted by law within 28 days after the last date of publication. If Defendant does not answer or take other action within the time allowed, judgement may be entered against him for the relief demanded in the complaint.

MARGARET A. COTANT PLC  
By: MARGARET A. COTANT  
P46911  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
31-7-14

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LEARMAN, SAROW, BIRCHLER,  
FITZHUGH & PURTELL, PLC IS A  
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The mortgage described below is in default:  
Mortgage made by Dan R. King and Gale King, husband and wife, to GreenStone Farm Credit Services, FLCA, mortgagee in a mortgage dated November 30, 2006, and recorded in the office of the Crawford County Register of Deeds on December 5, 2006, in Liber 684, page 434, of Crawford County Records. The balance claimed owing on the mortgage at the time of this notice is One Hundred Eleven Thousand Ninety-three and 09/100 (\$111,093.09) Dollars. The mortgage contains a power of sale, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity have been instituted to recover the debt secured by the mortgage or any part thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, take notice that the mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the property described in the mortgage at public auction on Wednesday, February 13, 2008, at 10:00 a.m., at the main entrance of the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan (that being the place where the Crawford County Circuit Court is held). The mortgagee will apply the sale proceeds to the debt on the mortgage, as stated above, plus interest charges at the rate of 10%, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law or contract, and also any amount which may be paid by the mortgagee to protect its interest in the property.

The property to be sold at foreclosure is described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, Michigan, and described as follows, to-wit:

The Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 5, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, lying Easterly of County Road.

The redemption period shall be one year from the date of sale pursuant to MCL §600.3240, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with statute, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

DATED: January 7, 2008  
GreenStone Farm Credit Services, FLCA,  
Mortgagee

Drafted by:  
J. Joseph Purcell, Attorney for  
Mortgagee  
Learnman, Sarow, Birchler, Fitzhugh &  
Purcell, PLC  
900 Center Avenue  
Bay City, Michigan 48708-6118  
Telephone: (989) 892-0591  
-10-17-24-31-7

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE BY SALE

Default has been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made on the date of 13th day of January, 2006 by Denise Marie Elekoniich and Jerry Lee Elekoniich, husband and wife of 2346 Peaceful Vista, Grayling, Michigan 49738 upon which note there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this Notice the sum of One Hundred Eighteen Thousand Eight Hundred and 74/100 (\$118,800.74) Dollars, plus accrued interest at the rate of 7 percent, plus late fees and other allowable costs, including reasonable attorney fees, real property taxes and insurance accruing from July 13, 2007.

Further, no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt or any part of the debt, secured by said mortgage and the power of sale being contained in said mortgage having become operative by reason of such default;

NOW THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that on February 1, 2008 at 10:00 in the forenoon at the main front door of the Crawford County Courthouse, Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court for said County, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid on said promissory note with interest thereon at the rate of 7 percent, together with legal costs and charges of sale, provided by law and in said promissory note and mortgage. The land and the premises described in said mortgage is located in the State of Michigan, County of Crawford, Township of Grayling and further described as follows:

Lot 7, Shangri-La Subdivision recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Pages 3 & 4, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of sale. The property may be redeemed by paying the amount bid at the sale, plus interest at the rate of 7 percent, and any fees, taxes or other unpaid encumbrances on the property from the date of the sale.

This notice is an attempt to collect a debt.

Richard J. Jaskowski (P47123)  
Attorney For Mortgagee  
2373 S. I-75 Business Loop  
PO Drawer 665  
Grayling, MI 49738  
(989)348-5232  
27-3-10-17-24-31-7

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Crystal Young, a single woman, as her sole and separate property, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated September 7, 2006, and recorded on September 19, 2006 in Liber 683 on Page 235, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Ten And

82/100 Dollars (\$73,810.82), including interest at 8% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 20, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: South 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Southwest 1/4 of Section 8, Town 26 North, Range 2 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 17, 2008

For more information, please call:  
FC R 248,593,1305  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #156005F02

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert J Kayga a single man and Geraldine L Johnson, a single woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Plus (Michigan) Inc., Mortgagee, dated May 18, 2005, and recorded on May 26, 2005 in Liber 675 on Page 649, and assigned by said Mortgagee to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty Thousand Ninety-Two And 26/100 Dollars (\$80,092.26), including interest at 8.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 20, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The East 1/2 of the south 1/2 of the north 1/2 of the south 1/2 of the southeast 1/4 of the northeast 1/4 of section 32, town 27 north, range 3 west, Grayling Township, Crawford County Michigan

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Dated: January 17, 2008

For more information, please call:  
FC S 248,593,1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kevin B Behrens, and Karen L Behrens, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 18, 2004, and recorded on July 8, 2004 in Liber 669 on Page 852, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Seven And 85/100 Dollars (\$64,267.85), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 20, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the center section 30, town 25 north, range 2 west, thence south 89 degrees 34 minutes east (along the east and west 1/4 line) 357 feet to the point of beginning thence continuing south 89 degrees 34 minutes east 294 feet; thence south 0 degrees 25 minutes west 1103 feet to the centerline of county road; thence south 74 degrees 50 minutes west (along centerline of county road) 303.75 feet; thence south 0 degrees 25 minutes west 1184.40 feet to the point of beginning, being a part of the northwest 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of section 30, town 25 north, range 2 west

from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 24, 2008

For more information, please call:  
FC D 248,593,1309  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #178515F01

-24-31-7-14

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Wayne Vanpelt, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 6, 2006, and recorded on July 19, 2006 in Liber 682 on Page 405, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Four And 38/100 Dollars (\$84,994.38), including interest at 8.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 5, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 2, Block 16, Roffie's Addition, City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the Plat thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 31, 2008

For more information, please call:  
FC C 248,593,1301  
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Attorneys For Servicer  
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Zachary S. Russell, a married man by Aprille N. Russell attorney in fact, and Aprille N. Russell, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated August 17, 2006, and recorded on August 24, 2006 in Liber 682 on Page 865, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Nine And 09/100 Dollars (\$120,349.09), including interest at 7.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made

# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

### 23 Years Ago

January 31, 1985

Marty VanDeVen and Ernie Dawson were honored by the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce as Citizens of the Year. Larry Raymond and Dan Priestap, the other nominees for the award, were all honored at a dinner at the Arrowhead Inn.

Jami Shepler was crowned Miss Grayling 1985. Kris Laudenslager was named first runner-up and Kimberly Kinsora was named 2nd runner-up. Shepler also won Miss Congeniality and Laudenslager and Barbara Fitzgerald shared the talent award for the pageant performance.

The Viking ski team zipped over Kalkaska in a head-to-head race and placed second in a five-team meet. The boys ski team scored a perfect 20 against Kalkaska, who finished with 89. Pete Huss took first in slalom and giant slalom. The girls won with 24 points to Kalkaska's 67. Heidi Derenzy took first in slalom and giant slalom.

The Grayling volleyball team overcame a slow start and handled Gaylord St. Mary's 16-14, 15-8 and 15-6. Rochelle Campau led the serving with 13 of 15.

The Grayling J.V. volleyball team bumped their record to 5-2, with a 15-0, 15-1 and 11-15 win over St. Mary's. Julie Brooks led

the serving for the Vikings and the serves dominated the action.

John H. Alef, President of Grayling State Bank, announced the promotions of Geraldine VanSickle and Shirley Rauch. Geraldine VanSickle was named Assistant Cashier and Assistant Operations Officer.

The Grayling matmen outwrestled both Gaylord and Roscommon last week, beating their northern rivals 37-27, and their southern rivals 47-33. Leading the Vikings with double victories were Bucky Monforton, 98 pounds, Tim Moore, 132 pounds, Ron Wyman, 145 pounds, Tom Shively, 167 and Barcie Cross, 185 pounds.

"Pools Paradise", a hilarious English comedy by Phillip King, will be presented by the Grayling High School Players on Jan. 31 and Feb. 2 and 3.

### 46 Years Ago

February 1, 1962

The Grayling Moose All Stars basketball team dropped a game to the McBain Independents, at McBain, by a score of 76-59. The high scorer for the Grayling Moose was Gary Springs with 28, and Ron Larson added 18.

Derek McEvers is now associated with the Sorenson Funeral Home, having moved back to Grayling on Saturday.

Michael Nelson, son of Mrs. Martin Kitchen, was awarded a Paul Bunyan lifesaving certifi-

cate, issued by Mr. Art Henry, District Council officer, and presented by Mr. Howard Day at the Cub Pack meeting at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church. Mike saved Glenn Wert from drowning last spring, near the old mill site west of US-27. Glenn was caught in the mud and had gone under once. Both of the boys are in Den 6. Mrs. Harold Dykema is the den mother.

Darris McCord, giant defensive end of the Detroit Lions' "Fearsome Foursome", the front line on defense for the National Football League team, will be in a basketball uniform at the Grayling High School gym on Feb. 9, to play against the Grayling Moose All Stars in the opening event of Grayling's 37th Annual Winter Sports Carnival.

The Frederic Eagles varsity, reserves, junior high and girls basketball teams, all came up with victories over Bellaire.

TV sets for the fourth, fifth and sixth grades, for this week only, have been loaned to the school by Grayling Radio and TV, Moshier Refrigeration and Stampfly Radio and TV. The designated grades will try out the TV classes from Central Michigan University.

They will not join the program this year, but wish to learn if the classrooms are adaptable for TV classes.

### 69 Years Ago

February 2, 1939

The snowman building contest has been extended to include all boys, whether they are a scout or not. This should be a lively con-

test with the additional contestants trying out their skills. All snowmen must be made in the heart of the business district. Assignments to a definite location will help them to get started.

Going into the fourth week of the Pinochle tournament, there was a larger crowd present than last week. The Legionnaires beat the Masons 25 out of 48 games. High score for the Legionnaires was held by Clarence Johnson and Charles Miesel, and for the Masons Harold Jarmin and Holger Peterson.

Mrs. Augusta Funck is supplying as librarian at the city library while Mrs. Eva Wingard is enjoying a vacation in Florida.

### 92 Years Ago

February 3, 1916

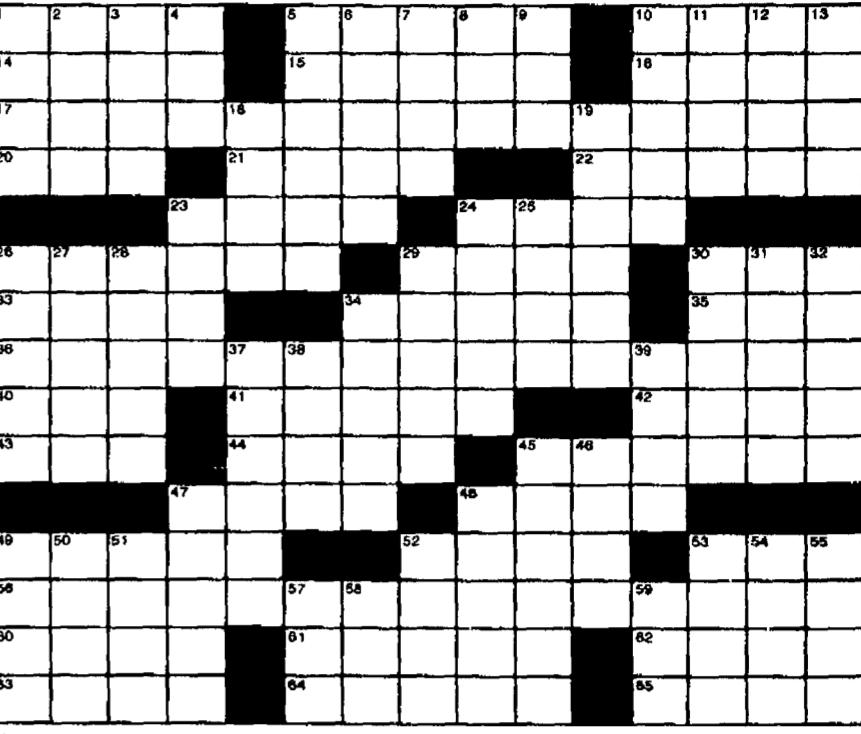
Dr. Insley reports a successful 50 mile auto trip to Luzerne on Saturday. He says this is the first time in his experience that such a trip could be made in half a day, during the month of January.

Russell Lewis, who is attending the high school in Grayling, returned to Frederic with glowing accounts of the new school building.

It has been more than 10 years ago that Grayling was able to boast of a Mother's Club. Friday afternoon found about 70 Grayling ladies meeting at the school house for the purpose of organizing a Mother's Club.

Mrs. Stanley Insley was elected president; Miss Della Hale, primary teacher, was elected secretary and Mrs. A.A. Ellsworth as vice-president.

## CROSSWORD



Across  
1. Improvisational jazz singing in which nonsense syllables are used instead of words.  
5. Barely adequate.  
6. Narrow street with walls on both sides.  
7. U. S. coin worth one tenth of a dollar.  
8. Excited activity.  
9. Sharpies played by Vic Tayback.  
10. High wave caused by a tidal flow.  
11. Album featuring Dolly Parton, Emmylou Harris and Linda Ronstadt.  
12. Bronze receptacle decorated with engravings on the sides and cover with feet and handles of decorative castings.  
13. Form of the present tense of "have."  
18. Reed with a round, hollow tone, evoking the sound of the eponymous Japanese shell-trumpet.  
19. Ocean hydrozoan polyp that forms colonies that resemble moss on rocks, ships' hulls and piles.  
23. Informal term for "money."  
24. Set of special playing cards used for fortune telling.  
25. Anything happening rapidly.  
26. First in order of importance.  
27. Small openings in the skin.  
28. Noise of something dropping, as into liquid.  
29. Distinctive condition of a person's speech.  
30. Writer of odes.  
31. TV series starring Shirley Booth.  
32. Excessively fat.  
34. Powerful person in business.  
37. Stranger.  
38. Sharp protuberance.  
39. Substance for coating a porous surface to make it impervious to gas or liquid.  
45. Seventh album of pianist George Winston.  
46. Fifth studio from band IQ.  
47. English band from Leeds.  
48. Impels onward in a steady swelling motion.  
49. Genus of hound sharks.  
50. Celestial object that generates energy by means of nuclear fusion at its core.  
51. Foot covering.  
52. Heron.  
53. 67..., bright main belt asteroid.  
54. Something distinctively smaller than other members of its type.  
55. Person who operates something.  
57. Acronym for Official Development Aid.  
58. Money of account of Japan used only in certain quotations, as on foreign exchange.  
59. Below a satisfactory level.

## ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

## ADOPT A PET

### Sabrina

Sabrina is a very pretty and easy going cat. She does well with other cats and is wonderfully affectionate. Sabrina has been spayed, Feline Leukemia tested negative and vaccinated. She just needs a home.



### Poppy

Poppy is a lovely 5 month old puppy. She is very pretty and fun to have around. This girl will likely grow up to be a nice medium sized dog. Poppy has been spayed and vaccinated, she is waiting for a family.

The AuSable Valley Animal Shelter is a participating member of the Very Best Pet Network.

### AuSable Valley Animal Shelter is located at:

5786 Fairground Lane, Grayling

Use the entrance to the Crawford County Fairgrounds

Hours: Open 10 to 3 pm Monday thru Saturday, 10 to 12 pm on Sundays and Holidays

After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

For more pets or more information, visit our website [www.ascc.petfinder.com](http://www.ascc.petfinder.com)

## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

### Last Week

Date H L Inches

1/22 13 9 1

1/23 18 8 .5

1/24 14 -6 0

1/25 16 -10 0

1/26 26 7 1

1/27 22 10 2

1/28 27 15 0

### Extended Forecast

(Courtesy of the Weather.com)

Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday Monday Tuesday

| Thursday         | Friday  | Saturday         | Sunday       | Monday            | Tuesday      |
|------------------|---------|------------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|
|                  |         |                  |              |                   |              |
| High 20          | High 27 | High 27          | High 27      | High 29           | High 29      |
| Low 19           | Low 21  | Low 20           | Low 16       | Low 22            | Low 14       |
| Few Snow Showers | Snow    | Few Snow Showers | Party Cloudy | Scattered Showers | Snow Showers |

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK



1 pkg. hot flavored pork sausage, cooked, crumbled and drained  
1/2 teaspoon lemon juice  
1/4 cup mayonnaise  
1 cup (8 oz.) sour cream  
4 thinly sliced green onions  
2 cups (8 oz.) shredded sharp cheddar cheese

2 small avocados, mashed  
1 can (2 1/4 oz.) sliced ripe olives  
1/2 head iceberg lettuce, shredded  
1 can (15 oz.) ranch-style beans  
1 pkg. (1 1/4 oz.) dry taco seasoning mix  
2 medium tomatoes, chopped  
Tortilla chips

In a medium bowl, mix avocados, lemon juice and mayonnaise. In a separate bowl, mix sour cream and taco seasoning. In a lightly greased 9" x 13" baking dish, layer beans, cooked sausage, avocado mixture, sour cream mixture, olives, onion, cheese, lettuce and tomatoes. Serve with tortilla chips.

Makes 8-10 Servings

**KID'S**

**FIND THE TWINS**  
WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?

**CONNECT THE DOTS**

**MAZE**

Guess what, Capricorn. A friend is hiding something. Don't pry unless you know for sure that you have the time to help. A mix-up at work tests your patience.



Good news is headed your way. Magic moments like this are rare. Celebrate with a night on the town. A phone call makes the occasion sweeter.



Sometimes actions speak louder than words. Remember that as you deal with a situation at home. Make sure your family gets the message.



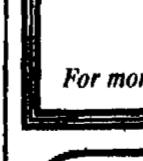
No doubt about it, Libra. You know how to network. Take advantage of your skills to improve your presentation and make heads turn.



September 23-

October 21

The pressure is on at the office. Don't give in to it. Take your time, work diligently and you'll come out on top. A friend makes you an offer you can't refuse.



July 23-

August 22

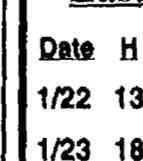
You're very crafty, Leo. Your friends know it and have volunteered your talents in the past, but this week, you're too busy and must learn to say no.



October 23-

November 21

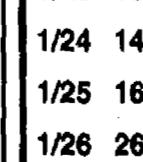
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December 22-

January 19

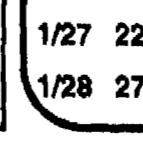
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January 20-

February 18

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February 19-

March 20

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May 21-

June 21

The pressure is on at the office. Don't give in to it. Take your time, work diligently and you'll come out on top. A friend makes you an offer you can't refuse.



August 23-

September 22

You're in demand. You've got a stack of invitations on your desk. Don't spread yourself thin. Pick a select few and make your presence known.



November 22-

December 21

An unusual turn of events

# ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

Crawford County Avalanche

**1. Real Estate**

**2-3 BEDROOM** 2 bath, year round ranch in peaceful setting, on maintained road, near lakes and snowmobiling. (586) 446-0004, (586) 713-7500. (6/22/06tf/1)

**FIVE ACRES** both sides river, both sides road. Three bedroom 2 bath ranch. Two possible bedroom plus family room, storage in walk-out basement. Pole building across road 989-348-8524. (11/08/2007tf/1)

**2. For Rent**

**TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT** above the Frederic Inn. 348-8636 or 705-7111. (-31-7-14-21/2)

**2. For Rent**

**OFFICE SPACE** in Roscommon, great location. \$475 per month, plus utilities. 989-348-2466, AuSable Rentals. (1/10/08tf/2)

**FOR RENT:** Very clean one bedroom apartment in town, \$425 a month rent plus security deposit. Water included in rent, no pets, references required. Phone 989-619-9689. (-31-7/2)

**3 BEDROOM CHALET** 1 1/2 baths, fully furnished, 2 car garage, \$525 + utilities + security deposit. References required. Warblers Hideaway, 2704 Lovells Rd. 989-348-4950. (-31/2)

**2. For Rent**

**MOBILE HOMES 4 RENT** \$425 and up, some pet restrictions. Also, trailers for sale. 348-5278. (9/28/06tf/2)

**SENIOR APARTMENTS AVAILABLE** at The Brook Retirement Communities. Offering Independent and Assisted Living. Lots of amenities, activities, beautiful surroundings and affordable living. Communities located in: Houghton Lake (989) 422-7200 Roscommon (989) 275-4000, West Branch (989) 343-1400, Gladwin (989) 426-8700. Call or stop by today for a personalized tour. (5/10/2007tf/2)

**2. For Rent**

**FOR RENT 2 BR** home on the Manistee River. Freshly remodeled, beautiful views, garage, partial basement, storage building. No smoking. Available November 14th. \$650/month + \$650 security deposit. Contact Craig Hinkle for application at 989-348-7440. (12/27/07tf/2)

**FOR RENT 1,400 sq. ft., 3 B/R, 2 bath** with 150' frontage on the Manistee River. Includes 2 car garage, gas fireplace and is adjacent to state land. \$650/month + security + utilities. No smoking. Please call Craig Hinkle for application 989-348-7440. (10/25/07tf/2)

**Classifieds must be paid for in advance**

**Display Advertising Rate** - \$8.00 per column inch

**Deadline for Display Classifieds** - 12 noon, Monday

**Classifieds by the word rate** - \$6.00 for 15 words or less, 10¢ per each additional word; includes Internet listing: [www.crawfordcountyavalanche.com](http://www.crawfordcountyavalanche.com)

**Classified by the word deadline** - 12 noon, Tuesday

**2. For Rent**

**EFFICIENCY CABIN** \$350 rent, \$350 security, \$50 cleaning fee. No pets. 989-348-5124. (-31/2)

**NICE CLEAN 2 BEDROOM** mobile with garage, washer/dryer and appliances. \$450, no pets. 989-348-2418. (-31-7-14-21/2)

**TWO BEDROOM DUPLEX** appliances, heat, garage \$650 a month 989-390-0027. (10/18/07tf/2)

**FOR RENT** studio apartment \$350 a month, \$200 deposit (no pets). Includes heat, electric, cable tv, garbage and snow removal, call 348-2137 or 370-1735. (-17-24-31/2)

**CABIN AND MOBILE HOME** at Lost Acres Cabins. Cabin #6 \$375, with utilities, near Blue Gill Lake. 11010 N. Old US 27, 2 br mobile home, \$395, (new paint, carpet, windows) plus utilities & security, no pets. 11006 N. Old Us 27 877-227-6976. (1/3/08tf/2)

**TWO-BEDROOM DUPLEX** totally remodeled, floors, cabinets, drywall, appliances, etc. Storage, lawncare, snowplowing, adult non-smoking \$495. Low heat bills, must see inside to appreciate. 810 Park. 348-2178. (1/10/08tf/2)

**Servicing Every Size and Every Budget!**



10 acres, stunning log home, 3 car attached garage AND a pole barn all set up on 10 acres, along with horse corral. Ceramic & hickory wood floors, fireplace, a kitchen that will make you grin, and a master suite that will knock your socks off! #5899 \$259,900

4 Bedroom, 1.5 bath waterfront home with natural fireplace. Beautiful wooded setting with 220 feet of frontage on a quiet section of the AuSable. Large double lot; natural gas and paved road all just one mile from town. \$199,500. #5950

Beautiful home available on 2.5 acres minutes of Grayling. Property features 5 bedrooms, 2 baths, vaulted ceilings, great room, central air, landscaping, sprinkler system, extensive decking and 2 car garage. #5897 \$179,900

3 lots! Great neighborhood close to town. Fresh paint and central air are just a few interior features. Outside enjoy the garage, shed, fenced in area, covered porch and tons of space. \$114,900 #5898

Neat as a pin 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath mobile home on 5 acres. Home features a new metal roof, master suite, kitchen with separate dining room and decking overlooking prime hunting property. #5804 \$65,000

Well maintained home in the city of Grayling across the street from the Catholic Church. Close to everything. Ideal for the growing family, short commute to drop the kids off to school. Four bedrooms, 1-1/2 baths. #5768 \$65,000

Quality built home in very pretty setting on 2.46 acres w/storage garage! featuring a cut stone fireplace, attached 2x30 garage w/upstairs work shop, a 16x28 garage, industrial steel roof, hot water heat. Flip switch for generator should the electricity go out. #5933 \$147,500

**New Listing**

Beautiful sunsets can be yours on 53 feet of east shore Lake Margrethe frontage with a 360 foot deep lot. Two bedrooms, one bath and a 2 car garage. Cement patio and deck overlooking house and garage is 13x13. #5872 \$349,000

Immaculate 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with full basement and two car garage, located on five acres in the snowbelt adjacent to thousands of acres of state land. Home features vaulted ceilings, ceiling fans, fenced yard and garden area. #5935 \$95,000

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**Commercial**

Completely remodeled in and out, top to bottom and with all new kitchen equipment, also a 12 x 30 addition off of the back for extra work area. Everything in this establishment is completely updated to the MAX! Great buy for an investment in Northern Michigan. #5942 \$450,000

7 MILES N. GRAYLING, MI 49738

**5. For Sale**

**CLEAN THREE BEDROOM** house, 1 1/2 baths, large living room with gas fireplace, kitchen with dining room. 2 car attached garage, plus storage sheds, large wooded lots, range, refrig., washer, dryer, dishwasher inc. \$650 month plus security and utilities. References required, no pets. 5956 Ridgeway, M-72 W. 1/2 mile from city 348-4716. (1/17/08tf/2)

**EFFICIENCY CABIN** on river, utilities included, call 348-8350. (1/17/08tf/2)

**201 FULTON ST.** One bedroom upper level apartment. Intercom from apartment to locked security door. Air conditioned, new kitchen cabinets, a very nice apartment. Individual locked storage in basement with washer and dryer. Garage with auto opener. Non smoking only and no pets. \$475 per month, \$450 security deposit plus utilities. References required. Call 989-348-7143. (01/24/07tf/2)

**LARGE 5** bedroom, 2 bath, 2688 sq. ft., beautiful great room, ceramic tile, master bathroom, central air, 2 1/2 car detached garage, 3 miles from town. \$750 per month, for rent March 1. 989-348-6391. (-31-7-14/2)

**5. For Sale**

**SCHOOL OUTREACH NURSE:** RN preferred, LPN will be considered. Will work in conjunction with School Based Health Centers in Houghton Lake community Schools and Gerrish-Higgins School district. Provide health case management and outreach services for students with chronic and acute health conditions in two school districts. May also provide educational and medical/health trainings for school staff, students, parents and community. 25 hours weekly based on the school calendar. Wages commensurate with experience and licensure. Send resume by February 8th to Human Resources, MidMichigan Health Services, 9249 W. Lake City Road, Houghton Lake, MI 48629. (-31-7-3)

**DRIVER TRAINEES** needed now. Drivers being hired and CDL trained for Werner Enterprises. \$800/week no experience needed 800-882-7364. (-10-17-24-31/3)

## Commission on Aging Positions Available

The Crawford County Commission on Aging is accepting applications for the following positions:

**Administrative Assistant - Full Time** Performs bookkeeping functions and administrative support. Preferred candidate will have Bachelor's degree in business administration, accounting or related field and two years experience. Quickbooks and Excel computer skills required.

**On-Call Homemaker** Duties include light housekeeping, assistance with personal care and supervision of clients. Hours vary Monday - Friday. Flexible schedule required. Preferred candidate will have two years caregiving experience or Nurse's Aide certification.

Application packets for all positions must be picked up at 308 Lawndale, Grayling and returned by 5:00 p.m. 02/13/08.

## Weyerhaeuser

Industrial Electrician  
Sawmill in Lewiston, MI  
Weyerhaeuser Hardwoods

**Full time.** Duties include: schedule preventative maintenance tasks, examine work orders and converse with equipment operators to detect equipment problems, set up and test industrial equipment, test faulty equipment, repair and adjust equipment, machines and defective components, calibrate testing instruments and installed or repaired equipment to prescribed specifications, inspect components of industrial equipment for accurate assembly and installation for defects.

**Requirements:** High school diploma and at least 4 years of experience. Must be a state licensed journeyman electrician. Knowledge of 480 volt systems, PLC's and other industrial equipment. Must be willing to be cross trained in other areas of the plant. May be required to work flexible hours. Must have a current driver's license. Will need to undergo drug screening, employment testing, and background check.

Wage based on experience. Benefits include medical and dental insurance, 401 K, and pension plan.

*Weyerhaeuser is an equal opportunity employer.*

Deliver resume in person to Michigan Works, 12519 State, Elkland Center, Atlanta, MI.

**5. For Sale****5. For Sale**

**PART TIME MANAGER** needed for apartment community in Grayling, must be able to live on site. Candidates must have knowledge about subsidy paperwork and great communication skills. Send resume to PO Box 86, Houghton Lake, MI 48629. EOE. (-24-31/3)

**CASUAL HOUSE ADVOCATE**, River House, Inc. Do you have a flexible schedule but do not require full-time employment? This rewarding position may be for you. River House, Inc. is seeking candidates for casual work. The primary responsibilities of the House Advocate are the support of shelter residents, answering the crisis line, and performing general cleaning. Knowledge of the dynamics of trauma and an understanding of domestic and sexual violence is helpful. High school diploma or equivalent is required. Human service experience and computer skills are preferred. House Advocates work alone on 12-hour night and weekend shifts. Casuals also work on holidays. If you are interested in this opportunity, please send your resume to Human Resources, Mercy Hospital Grayling, 1100 E. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738. E-mail: slewis@trinity-health.org. Fax 989-348-0485. Phone 989-348-0570. (-24-31/3)

**ACT TEAM RN:** Grayling Provide intensive case management services and problem-solving interventions directly and indirectly for clients of this specialized services program. The overall primary function for this position is to assure that nursing/health programming is appropriate and suitable. Registered Nursing degree with appropriate licensure with the state of Michigan required. Two (2) years of experience in providing services to consumers who have mental health needs is highly desirable. Must strongly believe in recovery and have a commitment to creating and maintaining a culture that expects recovery. Northern Lakes offers competitive wages and an excellent benefit package. Send resume to: hr@nlcmh.org or: Human Resources, Northern Lakes CMH, 105 Hall St., Ste A, Traverse City, MI 49684 EOE www.northernlakescmh.org. (-24-31/3)

**SNOWPLOWING AND OAK SEASON** 16' 18" delivered, \$50 cord Grayling area, other area \$70, roof top ice & snow removal, 30 years experience. Jerry 989-348-7046. (-27-3-10-24-8-22/4)

**5. For Sale**

**RELIANCE EMPLOYMENT** is looking for customer service representative to work full or part time Monday thru Friday. For more information call 780-708-2309. (-31-7-14-21/3)

**HIRING FITNESS INSTRUCTORS** call 348-6542 for interview. (-31-7/3)

**HELP WANTED:** Cook, part time/contingent. The Brook Retirement Community - Roscommon. Experience necessary. Competitive wages. Excellent working environment. Apply in person between 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Deadline: February 13. (-31-7/3)

**5. For Sale**

**HELSEL DAYCARE** has immediate openings. Open Mon. - Sat. 24 hours/day. DHS payment accepted. Food program, college credentials, CPR certified. Please call 989-275-8928. (-31/4)

**SEWING, ZIPPERS, QUILTER** Military welcome, open 6 days a week. (989)348-9349. (1/11/07tf/4)

**PROFESSIONAL HEMMING**

jeans, dresses, slacks, etc. Custom bedding, weddings. 989-344-2444. (-17-31-14-28-13-27-10-24-8-22/4)

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**5. For Sale**

**T-Shirts, Sweatshirts, Jackets, Hats, Event & Corporate Apparel, Signs & Banners**  
~Since 1987~  
First Impressions Sportswear

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**5. For Sale****5. For Sale**

**HONDA FOREMAN 4 X 4**, 350 cc shaft driven, well maintained, stored inside. 46 inch plow blade, racks front and back. \$2,500 call 989-821-8788. (-31/5)

**5. For Sale****5. For Sale**

**6. Wanted**

**WANTED** Alltel cell phones, 989-348-0153 or 989-390-3737. (-31/6)

**WANTED-SCRAP VEHICLES** top dollar paid. Pick up available. 888-471-3818. (3/3/05f/6)

**WANTED TO BUY** Rittenhouse cottage furniture. 248-851-7585. (03/2/06f/6)

**WANTED DEAD OR ALIVE** Paying cash for cars and trucks. Quick pick up. 989-786-3932. (-31-7-14-21/6)

**BUYING JUNK VEHICLES** Price varies with size but will pay the most. Call Don at 231-587-0856 or 888-468-7313. (10/11/07f/6)

**WARREN FOREST PRODUCTS** We buy standing timber and sell firewood by the loggers cord. Call 989-348-7133 during the day and leave a message. Evenings call 231-229-4845, ask for Chan. (LR3/27/08/6)

**WOW GABBY'S** is now paying \$300 for your junk vehicle delivered to us, \$250 if we pick up. Requirements complete with title 231-258-5726 or 877-SCRAP-30. (-17-24-31-7/6)

**7. Miscellaneous**

**FREE** 40 gallon aquarium complete, heater, lights, filters, you haul, 390-4670. (-31/7)

**8. Announcements**

**MIP** and anger management programs. GRACE Center, Grayling. 989-348-2544. (10/11/07f/8)

**11. Automotive****8. Announcements**

**NEW FAD!** Would you like an antique or collectable appraised free by a certified appraiser? Call Sandy for details 989-390-4920. (-17-24-31/8)

**ANNUAL NATIONAL WILD TURKEY** Federation sanctioned banquet/auction, Sat. Feb. 16, 2008 at the Roscommon K of C Hall. Social hours: 5:30 p.m., dinner/program: 6:30 p.m. For more information call Brian Brown, 989-275-1426. (-24-31-7/8)

**CLEARANCE SALE** at Fabrics & More. One half off all merchandise! Next to Rochette's IGA 344-0986. (-24-31/8)

**APPRASIALS BEING OFFERED** at Consign in Grayling on Feb. 2, 2008 from 9 a.m. to noon. \$5 per item will be charged for each appraisal. New location at 609 Norway St. Any questions, please call 989-390-4920. (-31/8)

**DON'T MISS** the lunch time specials! Back by popular demand at J. Dap Company and Riverland clothing. Every Wednesday in February between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., both J. Dap and Riverland will have one surprise item at a super bargain price. Snacks will be served! What a great way to spend your lunch hour! See you on Wednesdays beginning Feb. 6. Riverland is located at 122 Michigan Avenue and J. Dap is located at 118 Michigan Ave. (-31-7-14-21/8)

**DRIVERS: CALL TODAY!** BONUS & paid orientation. 36-43cpm. Earn over \$1000 weekly. Excellent benefits. Class A and 3 mos recent OTR required. 800-635-8669

**JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRIOR** service Vets. Serve your country again on a part-time basis. Call 1-800-922-1703, M-F 8-4

**MEDICAL STUDENTS** Paid on-the-job training in the medical field. Immediate benefits package. Must be age 17-34. 1-800-371-4566, M-F 8-4

**POST OFFICE NOW HIRING!** Ave. pay \$20/hour or \$57K annually including federal benefits and OT. Paid training, vacations, PTO/FT. 1-866-616-7015 USWA. Exam/Fee Req.

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# Wrestling squad finishes LMC regular season at 5-0

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Elks won the final weight class of the meet - 171 pounds - with a second round pin.

Grayling won by a final score of 69-12.

The Vikings also won all seven of the night's exhibition matches. Contreras (215) won by pin in the final seconds of the third round. Peters (112) won a 2-0 decision in overtime. Duvall (130) won a 15-1 decision. Grove (130) pinned his opponent in the first round. Wolcott (145) won a 17-2 decision. George (145) won by pin in the first round. Madill (189) scored a pin in the second round.

The Vikings finished 6th at the Gaylord Invitational on Saturday, Jan. 26. Seven Grayling wrestlers finished in the top 10 of their respective weight classes.

Collen (145) finished 2nd, Madill (189) placed 2nd, White (112) took 5th, and Shane Grove (171) was 7th.

"It was a good day overall. Last year we finished in 12th



Photo by Caleb Casey

**Joe White (112) tries for a pin vs. Elk Rapids during last Thursday's meet at Elk Rapids High School.**

The Vikings will wrestle in their league championship meet on Saturday, Feb. 2, at Elk Rapids.

## GRAYLING YOUTH WRESTLING

Placements for Grayling Youth Wrestling Club competitors at recent tournaments include:

(At Bangor on Jan. 19) Logan Joseph (58), 3rd; Ashton Terrier (72), 3rd; Koedy Dole (67), 4th; Riley Morley (52), 4th; Logan Duvall (100), 2nd; Devin Joseph (85), 4th; Jonathon Martin (55), 1st; Michael Phipps (85), 1st;

(At Farwell on Jan. 12) Babbitt (170), 3rd; Eli Bindschatel (61), 2nd; Kaden Brigham (67), 1st;

Zack Cheney (95), 1st; Zack Joseph (166-heavyweight), 3rd; Ty Jensen (112), 1st; Zachary Mack (80), 1st; Jeffrey Myers (165-heavyweight), 2nd; Derek Babbitt (170), 1st; Brandon Handrich (120), 4th; (At Farwell on Jan. 12) Babbitt (170), 3rd; Eli Bindschatel (61), 3rd; Myers (165), 1st; Devin Stephan (85), 3rd.

## BOWLING LEAGUE

**Recreation League**

American Legion ..... 21 - 7

Woodly Girls ..... 16.5 - 11.5

Robin L. Smith CPA. 15.5 - 12.5

Days Inn ..... 15 - 13

Grayling Nurs.Center. 14 - 14

T & T Fishing ..... 11 - 17

Glen's Market ..... 10 - 18

GMH-NCC ..... 9 - 19

High Series: L. Seibert, 535; M. Starks, 501; K. Wheeler, 492.

High Game: M. Ginther, 226; K. Wheeler, 195; L. Seibert, 193.

American Men's League

Derwich Ind ..... 30 - 5

Moore's Auto ..... 25 - 10

McLean's ACE ..... 24 - 11

GADCO ..... 20 - 15

Dragon Repair ..... 14 - 21

Fenton's Auto Serv. 14 - 21

West Side Diner ..... 7 - 28

Otsego Lake Service ..... 6 - 29

High Series: B. Gulick, 672; T. Kotash, 593; D. Canfield, 589.

High Game: T. Hulbert, 236; B. Gulick, 235; T. Kotash, 214.

Pioneer League

Grayling Rest ..... 10 - 2

Eagles Nest Sports. 8 - 4

McDonald's ..... 6 - 6

T.C. Lawcare. 6 - 6

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